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BIRTHS.

HUTTON—December 30, 1940, at 23 Butterfield Park, Rathfarnham, to Noreen, wife of George Hutton, a son.

JORDAN—January 4, 1941, at Baymount, Dublin, to Rose (*née* Gwynn), wife of Radford Jordan, a son.

PATTULLO—December 30, 1940, at Nairobi, Kenya, to Frances (*née* Hassard), wife of Frank Pattullo, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

DAISH and JONES—December 21, 1940, at Mariners' Church, Kingstown, by Rev. Canon Chamberlain, Arthur Oliver, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Daish, 3 Ardeevin terrace, Dalkey, to Eva, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Jones, "Kilduff," Tralee, Co. Kerry.

DEATHS.

BENNER—Saturday, January 4, 1941, at Spring Hill, Tramore, Eliza, widow of the late Adams Benner, of Tralee, in her 97th year. Funeral will leave at 12 o'clock on to-morrow (Wednesday) for interment at Tramore Churchyard.

BEVERIDGE—January 6, 1941, at 148 Pembroke road, Mary Ellen, wife of the late Gerrard David Beveridge. R.I.P. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by request.

BURTON—January 6, 1941, at Altidore Castle, Kilpeddar, Co. Wicklow, Arthur Power, lately of Milltown Park, Co. Dublin, aged 75. Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday), leaving 2.30 p.m. for Christ Church Cemetery, Delgany. No flowers, by request.

CONKLIN—November 27, 1940, at her residence, Flint, Michigan, America, Ethel Beatrice, youngest daughter of Henry and the late Mrs. Kiernan, Brookville, Oldcastle, Meath.

DUDGEON—January 5, 1941, at Merville, Booterstown, Co. Dublin, Isabella B. Dudgeon, wife of the late Joseph Hume Dudgeon. Service St. Thomas Church, Foster avenue, 11.30 to-morrow (Wednesday). Funeral private.

FAHY—January 4, 1941, at her residence, 45 Malone road, Belfast, Anna Leathem, widow of the Rev. Martin Fahy, Rector of Duneane, Co. Antrim. House and funeral strictly private. No flowers, by request.

HUDSON—January 6, 1941 (suddenly), at his residence, Glengariff, Alma road, Monkstown, John V. A., dearly-loved husband of Alphra Hudson. Funeral (private) to-morrow (Wednesday) morning, arriving Dean's Grange Cemetery at 10 o'clock.

JEFFERS—January 4, 1941, at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast, Benjamin Robert (Ben), dearly-loved husband of Annie Charlotte Jeffers, 25 Colvil street, Belfast, and beloved eldest son of the late Robert Jeffers, of 32 Cherryfield avenue, Sandford road, Dublin. Funeral to Dundonald Cemetery to-day (Tuesday), 7th inst. "Underneath are the everlasting arms" (Dent, 33-27).

JOHNSON—January 4, 1941, at her residence, Knockmena House, Portadown, Jane, Robinson, widow of Francis Johnson. Interred in Friends' Burying Ground, Lurgan.

LEECH—January 6, 1941, Ellen Millar, widow of the late Charles Leech, of Green road, Blackrock, in her 95th year, passed peacefully to be with Christ. Funeral (private) arriving Dean's Grange to-morrow (Wednesday) 9.30 a.m.

MARTIN—January 6, 1941, Charlotte E., the beloved wife of John L. Martin, Glencoe, Clareville road, Kenilworth Park. Funeral Mount Jerome to-morrow (Wednesday) 10.30 a.m.

McCORMACK—January 6, 1941, at 2 Pakenham road, Monkstown, Andrew McCormack (Franciscan Tertiary), father of John Count McCormack, aged 86 years. R.I.P. Funeral (strictly private) after 9 o'clock Mass at St. Patrick's Church, Monkstown, to-morrow (Wednesday), 8th January, to Dean's Grange. No flowers.

RUSHTON—January 6, 1941 (suddenly), at 4 Upper Ely place, Alice Rushton, beloved mother of Gerald and Desmond Rushton. Funeral from St. Andrew's, Westland row, after 9.30 Mass to-morrow (Wednesday), January 8th, to Glasnevin Cemetery. New York papers please copy.

SCOTT—January 6, 1941, at Badgers' Hill, Mountrath, Margaret J. Scott. Funeral to Annatrim Old Churchyard to-morrow (Wednesday), 2 o'clock (summer time). Australian and American papers please copy.

SEYMOUR—January 5, 1941, at Lindville Hospital, Cork, Ellen Howe, beloved wife of W. J. Seymour, Dunderrow, Kinsale. Funeral leaves St. Multose Church, Kinsale, on to-day (Tuesday) at 3.30 p.m. for Rincurran.

SKUCE—January 6, 1941, at his home, 2 Seatown Gardens, Dundalk, Allan E. Skuce, retired manager, the National Bank, Ltd. Funeral arrangements later.

STEWART—January 5, 1941, at his aunt's residence, 45 Beverley street, Belfast, John Alexander (Sandy) Stewart, dearly-loved son of John and Jane Stewart, and nephew of Jean Stewart. Funeral from the above address to-morrow (Wednesday) at 2 o'clock to Dundonald Cemetery. Deeply regretted.—John and Jane Stewart, 26 Richmond street, Limerick; Jean Stewart, 45 Beverley street, Belfast.

TWIGG—January 5, 1941 (suddenly), at Greenwood, Malahide, Arthur Twigg, aged 73 years. Funeral at Swords Church, 11 a.m. to-day (Tuesday), 7th inst.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 4.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

CAMPBELL—The father, children and relatives of the late Mrs. Agnes E. Campbell (Nurse) desire to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with them in their recent tragic bereavements, and trust this will be accepted by all in grateful acknowledgment.

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AVAILABLE every Wednesday, Day Old Chicks, Pullets £7 per 100, 17/6 per 12, Cocks 50/- per 100, 7/6 per 12.—Hill, Poultry Farm, Athboy. 6 E

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LAWLOR, Briscoe will Buy and Sell your Surplus Furniture. Auctions every Thursday.—35 Ormond quay. T

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WANTED Cocker Spaniel, dog or bitch, preferably black, 6 months old.—Battersby, Athboy. 6 C

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PURE bred Jersey Heifer, calved January 4th, 1941.—P. Kearns, Baytown, The Ward.

51 BLACKFACED Horny Ewes, tocked with Suffolk ram since September, will be for Sale by private treaty on Messrs. Ganly and Sons' Stand in the Cattle Market, on next Thursday, January 9th. 6 C

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WANTED, one Crude Oil Engine, 20 to 40 b.h.p., or one 380 volt 50 cycle 3 phase Alternator, with control gear. Address "Z 4490, Engine," this office. 6 C

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ALONG Sea Coast, Blackrock, Kingstown to Killiney, Le Clerc and Donovan, Sandycove, have attractive detached Houses, Bungalows and Cottages for Sale. T

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I, JOHN KEENAN, Main street, Elphin, intend applying for a Certificate of Suitability of Premises, situated at 7 High street, Galway.

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SOUND Sleep is nature's restorative, and Hiltonia Mattresses ensure it in comfort. 22 X

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FUNERAL

MAJOR MAURICE O'CONOR

The funeral of Major Maurice O'Conor took place yesterday morning to St. Joseph's Cemetery, Castlerea, after Requiem Mass celebrated in St. Michael's Church, Dun Laoghaire, by the Rev. Charles O'Conor, S.J., Dublin. Major O'Conor was a member of the family of the O'Conor Don.

The chief mourners were:—The Rev. Charles O'Conor, S.J.; Mrs. O'Conor and the Misses O'Conor, Lucan House, Co. Dublin (cousins).

Messages stating that they were unable to attend were received from the Apostolic Nuncio, the Most Rev. Dr. Paschal Robinson, and the Most Rev. Dr. Wall, Bishop of Thasos

FINANCIAL NOTICES.

THE MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK, LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Transfer Books of this Company WILL BE CLOSED FROM THE 10th TO THE 24th DAY OF JANUARY, 1941, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. E. HOSFORD,
Secretary.

Cork, 6th January, 1941.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS

MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK

The directors of the Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., announce a dividend for the half-year ended 31st December, 1940, at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum (free of tax), the placing of £12,500 to contingencies account and £5,000 to staff pension fund, the application of £5,000 in reduction of premises account, and the carrying forward of £40,070.

The dividend compares with one at the rate of 11 per cent. per annum for the corresponding period of 1939. The total payment for 1940 is 10 per cent. (actual) tax free, against 11½ per cent. (tax free) for 1939. At this time last year £15,000 was put to contingencies, £5,000 to staff pension fund, £5,000 to premises, and £41,894 was carried forward.

Allied Ironfounders (Ireland).—The report of Allied Ironfounders (Ireland), Ltd., for the year ended June 30, 1940, shows that the profit on trading amounted to £427, which reduces the debit balance at profit and loss account to £16,271.

Argentine Transandine Holdings.—Profit for period from June 26, 1939, to June 30, 1940 (after £1,656 tax), £27,345, to full interest on 4 per Cent. "A" and "B" Debenture, £27,022, credit balance £323 transferred to balance sheet to be applied in redemption of "C" Stock.

Ashdown Investment Trust.—Revenue £42,989 (£39,076), and, after management expenses, etc., and charging £14,784 (£10,465) for taxation, net balance remains of £24,922 (£24,146). Dividend 4½ per cent.

British General Series "A" Certificates.—Managers of British General Fixed Trust announce that thirteenth half-yearly distribution upon Series "A" at rate of 3.8d. net per sub-unit will be paid on January 15.

Bath Grand Pump Room Hotel.—Net loss (after £2,215 (£2,233) tax) for year to June 30, £5,418 (net profit £5,576). Preference dividend nil (year to June 30, 1939, £1,750). Ordinary dividend for year nil (20 per cent., less tax, £3,250). Forward £3,685 (£9,103).

Bullers.—Profit to July 31, £45,212 (£36,000), net balance after depreciation £33,267 (£27,449). Preference dividend £7,500. Ordinary dividend 5 per cent. (same).

Consolidated Tin Smelters.—Interim dividend of 3½ per cent. will be paid on February 7, 1941, on 7 per cent. Non-Cumulative Preference Shares.

Deal and Walmer Gas.—Directors are unable to declare dividend on 4 per cent. Redeemable Preference Stock in respect of half-year to December 31, 1940.

Dundee Coal.—Final dividend of 2½ per cent., making 5 per cent. for year. (Same.)

Dussek Brothers.—Total profits for the year to October 31, 1940, £76,706 (£76,647), and net profit £24,594 (£25,300). Final Ordinary dividend of 7½ per cent., making 12½ per cent. (same).

E. Lacon and Co.—Payment of interest on the First and "B" 4 per cent. Mortgage Debenture Stocks, due January 1, 1941, will be delayed.

Keliher, Hudson and Kearns have decided to pass the dividends due January 1 and July 1, 1940, on the 5 per cent. Cumulative Preference Shares.

London United Grocers.—Net profit to June 30, £2,746, reducing debit forward to £3,828.

Melbourne and Metropolitan Tramways Board.—Total revenue, 1940, £2,431,634 (£2,320,226), and working expenses £1,598,493 (£1,516,717). Surplus in operation was £833,141 (£803,509). Surplus carried forward £7,335 (£5,649).

Norsk Hydro.—Dividend on Ordinary for year to June 30, 1940, 6 per cent. (7 per cent.).

Standard Brands.—Final quarterly dividend of 10 cents per share, plus extra dividend of 10 cents per share, making 50 cents (45 cents).

United Picture Theatres. — Net loss was £27,562 (loss £27,258), making, with £466,935 debit brought in, a debit balance of £494,497.

Wellington, Grey and Bruce Railway.—Estimated earnings for half-year ended December, 31, 1940, applicable to meet interest on the 7 per cent. Bonds will admit of payment of £4 8/6 per £100 Bond, which will be applied as follows:—£2 14/7, balance due for coupon No. 118, due July 1, 1929; and £1 13/11 on account of coupon No. 119, due January 1, 1930.

FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS

CATTLE.

MERKLANDS.—1,359 Irish cattle and 1,049 sheep landed during the week. Cattle were made up of 753 from Belfast, 274 from Derry, 226 from Dublin, and 104 from Cork. All were stores, except 252 of Derry shipment, which were classified as fat and slaughtered by the Food Ministry. Sheep totals were 614 from Belfast and 435 from Derry. In addition there were 39 pigs from Belfast and 28 from Derry.

GRAIN.

MARK LANE.—English WHEAT on spot in moderate request, and fair supply at 14/6 per cwt. on farm. MAIZE still firm, and in good demand at £10 per ton, and offerings made sparingly. FLOUR fairly enquired for, with straight run 25/6 delivered, and imported 25/9 to 26/- per sack (bags included). OATS again in limited supply, with good inquiry at 14/6 per cwt. for milling and feeding. PEAS continue very scarce, with 20/1½ per cwt. wanted for imported Maples, and 10/- for Russian feeding. WHEATFEEDS sparingly offered, and in good demand at 8/7½ per cwt. for thirds and bran. BARLEY steady. Imported still at 15/3 and meal 16/9 per cwt. Wheat and Maize futures controlled.

THE BALTIC.—WHEAT — Market dull and featureless, and Canadian grades the turn easier. The following are f.o.b. quotations:—No. 1 Northern Manitoba (St. John/Halifax) first half April 33/6, second half April 33/7½, ditto (Vancouver) first half January 26/10½, No. 2 ditto 26/-, No. 1 Canadian Western (Garnet) first half January 24/6, No. 2 ditto 24/1½, No. 1 Northern Manitoba (Baltimore) first half February 32/9, second half February 32/10½, first half March 33/1½, No. 2 ditto first half February 32/-, second half February 32/3, first half March 32/6. Australian (bulk) January-February 26/-, new crop ditto 27/-. Rosafe (63½lb.) new crop January-February 20/6 per 480lb. MAIZE dull. Plate January 12/1½. No. 2 white flat African (bulk) January-February 17/-, No. 3 also No. 5 ditto 16/9, No. 6 yellow round ditto 17/3 per 480lb. BARLEY slow. Plate 64-65 kilos January-February 9/- per 400lb.

PROVISIONS.

DUBLIN FISH.—On offer one package lobsters and a small amount from country senders. Demand fair at—Lobsters 20/- per 13; cod 37/- to 60/-, whiting 10/- to 33/-, plaice 90/- to 120/-, ray wings 26/- to 37/-, and conger eels 9/- per box.

DUBLIN VEGETABLE.—Light supply cleared readily at—Savoy cabbage, large 35/- to 40/-, small 15/- to 33/- per load; swedes 2/- to 2/6, and mangolds 1/9 per cwt.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Supplies light, with values tending dearer. Tipperary dates and Kerr's pink 5/9 to 6/-, other whites 5/3 to 5/6 per cwt.

GRIMSBY FISH.—Best plaice 30/-, large 26/-, medium 27/- to 28/-, small 22/6; large lemon soles 23/- to 24/-, medium 26/-, small 22/6; cod 14/- to 20/-, small haddocks 12/- to 14/-, medium 14/- to 16/-, jumbo 14/- to 16/-, sprags 12/- to 15/-, haddocks, sprags (heads on), whiting 15/-, roker 13/- to 14/-, dogfish 13/-, monkfish 13/-, coalfish 13/-, halibut 23/6 to 25/- per stone.

LIVERPOOL.—COCOA — West African slow. COFFEE quietly steady. RUBBER—Para quietly steady. Hard fine spot quoted 1/1 to 1/2, forward 11¾d. to 1/-, soft fine forward 1/0½ to 1/1, April-June 1/0 9/16. July-September 1/0⅝. LARD—Boxes, 69/-.

PRODUCE.

LONDON—RICE dull. Siam one star January February quoted 12/9, super 12/3 per cwt. f.o.b. COCOA—Accra G/F spot in bond quoted 35/-. Trinidad first marks 70/- to 75/-. Ceylon plantations 60/- to 75/- per cwt. SPICE—Pepper steady. Black Lampong spot in bond buyers 5⅝d., white Muntok ditto quoted 8½d., white Java buyers 8¾d. Cloves—Zanzibar spot sellers 11½d., Madagascar ditto 11d. Pimento spot 1/6 per lb., January-February 125/- per cwt. c.i.f. Ginger—African spot 80/-, Cochin unbleached ditto 75/-, Jamaican 100/- to 120/-. Sago—Sarawak small pearl January-February 29/-. HEMP—Manila K grade £26, G £28 10/- per ton c.i.f. SISAL—African No. 1 £25, No. 3 £24 per ton c.i.f. SHELLAC fair. T.N. spot 87/6 per cwt. RUBBER quiet and easier on large estimated Straits shipments. Sheet spot sold 1/0 7/16 to 1/0⅜, January sellers 1/0½, buyers 1/0⅝. February sold 1/0½ to 1/0 7/16. March 1/0 9/16. April-June 1/0½. July-September 1/0⅝. Fine hard Para spot sellers 1/1 per lb. OILS—The following are selling prices for material allocated to the primary wholesalers are large trade consumers:—Linseed—Raw £41 10/-. Rape—Crude £44 5/-. Cottonseed—Crude £31 2/6, washed £34 5/-, refined £35 12/6, deodorised £36 10/-. Soya Bean—Crude £33, refined £37. Groundnut—Crude £35 10/-, refined deodorised £40, hardened £44. Cocoanut—Crude £28 2/6, refined deodorised £31 7/6, refined hardened £35 17/6. Palm Kernel—Crude £27 10/-, refined deodorised £30 15/-, hardened £35 5/-. Castor—Firsts £57, seconds £55. Whale—Crude £30 10/- to £31 10/-, refined hardened £33 to £33 10/-, No. 3 £26 10/- per ton net naked ex mill or works. Palm Oil—C.i.f. in bulk £17 5/-, loan drums £19 5/-, returnable casks £18 15/-. Resin ranged from 25/- to 30/- per cwt. OILSEEDS—The following are approximate shippers' indications on the basis of the Government freight and insurance:—Linseed—Calcutta January £18 11/3, Bombay ditto £19 2/6, Plate new crop January-February £11 10/-. Rapeseed—Toria January February £15 10/-. Groundnuts—Coromandel January-February £17 5/-. Cottonseed—Egyptian black January £8 2/6 per ton.

DUBLIN BANKS' CLEARING

Week ended January 4, 1941, £8,753,100, corresponding period of last year £11,825,100, decrease £3,072,000.

DUBLIN

MARKETS BUSY AND HARDER

ADVANCE IN RAILS CONTINUES

The accumulation of week-end orders was of fairly good dimensions on the Dublin Stock Exchange yesterday, and markets presented a moderately busy appearance and the tone was harder.

Home Government Funds claimed a good deal of attention, and 4 per cent. Land Bonds improved to 102, while Irish Sugar 4 per cent. Deb. advanced a point to 103. The Second National Loan lost a fraction, but other issues held up well. British Funds were firmer, and 3½ per cent. War Loan rose to 103¼. Dublin 5 per cent. 1946/'76 gave way to 105. Banks, where dealt in, presented a steady appearance.

Guinness units were a busy market, but they closed unchanged at 69s. 6d. Power Deb. made headway to 19s. 1½d. x.d. The Railway market was still the medium of much support. Great Northern Ord. improved to 4¾, and the Gtd. advanced 17s. 6d. to 32½. Great Southern Gtd. gained a point, and the Deb. was raised to 49 x.d. Dublin Tram Ord. recovered to 12s.

Cement Ord. and Clondalkin Paper Ord. both eased the turn, and Irish Sugar Pref. declined to 24s. 3d. Gresham Hotel Ord. moved up to 33s., and Irish C.S. Buildings rose 10s. to 45, while *Irish Times* 1st Pref. gained several pence at 14s. May Roberts (Ireland) Ord. and Williams and Woods issues held steady.

Textiles were cheerful; Coats Ord. improved to 29s., and Courtaulds to 32s. 1½d. Dunlop Rubbers tended higher, and B.A.T. Ord. (Bearer) quoted 86s. 9d., United Molasses Ord. 23s. 4½d., and Western Reefs 21s. 10½d.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS

GOVERNMENT FUNDS—5 p.c. Second National Loan (111¼) 111; do. (under £200) (111) 110⅞; 4½ p.c. Third Loan (110⅜) *110¼; 4 p.c. Conversion Loan (104¾) 104¾; 3¾ p.c. Financial Agreement (under £200) (103⅝) 103⅝; 4 p.c. Exchequer Bonds (under £200) (104⅜) 104⅜; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds (111) 111; do. (under £200) (110⅞) 110¾; 4 p.c. Land Bonds (101¾) 102, and Irish Sugar 4 p.c. Deb. (102) *103. **BRITISH FUNDS**—2½ p.c. Consols (76 11/16) *77½; 3½ p.c. War Loan (103⅛) 103¼, and Guar. 3 p.c. 1939 Stock *91¼. **CORPORATION STOCKS**—Dublin 5 p.c. 1946/76 (105 5/16) 105. **BANKS**—Bank of Ireland (286) *286; Munster and Leinster (97/-) *97/-, and National (35/-) 35/6 35/-. **BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES**—Guinness Ord. (69/6) 69/6 69/3 *69/6 69/6; do. Pref. (14) 14, and Power Deb. (18/11) 19/1½. **TELEGRAPHS**—Cable and Wireless Ord. (56½) 57¼. **RAILS, TRAMS, ETC.**—Great Northern Guar. (31⅝) *32½; do. Ord. (4½) *4¾; Great Southern Pref. (10) 10a; do. Guar. (24) 25; do. Deb. *(50¼) 49 x.d., and Dublin Tram Ord. (11/9) 12/-. **GAS**—Alliance Gas Deb. (94 21/32) 95½b. **BAKERY AND MILLING**—Milford (Donegal) Pref. (22/6) 22/6, and Ranks (Ireland) Pref. (25/6) 25/6. **IRISH INDUSTRIALS**—Cement Ord. (33/6) 33/3; do. Deb. (107¾) 107¾; Clondalkin Paper Ord. (5/10½) *5/9; do. New 5/9; Gallaher Pref. 28/-; Goodbody Pref. (24/6) 24/6b; Gresham Hotel Ord. (32/6) 33/-; Irish C.S. Buildings (44½) 45; Irish Sugar Pref. (24/6) 24/3; Irish Times 1st Pref. (13/3) *14/-; May Roberts (Ireland) Ord. (44/-) *44/-; Parkes (J. C.) Deb. (20/-) 20/-; Salts (Ireland) "A" Ord. (4/-) 4/-b 5/-a; Williams and Woods Ord. (11/ paid) 11/-, and do. Pref. (11/6 paid) 11/6. **BRITISH INDUSTRIALS**—B.A.T. Ord. (Bearer) 86/9; Bukit Mertijam Rubber 2/2¼; Coats (J. and P.) (28/6) 29/-; Courtaulds Ord. (31/6) 32/1½; Dunlop Rubbers (32/-) 32/6; Lucas (J.) Ord. 50/6; Morris Motors Pref. 29/3; Odham Press Ord. 2/6¾; do. Deb. 58½; Odham Properties Ord. 3/3¾; United Molasses Ord. 23/4½, and Western Reefs *21/10½.

* Odd lot. a asked. b bid. c cash.
(Previous prices in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE

Irish Banks' rate (changed Oct. 26, 1939)... 3 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred ... 3½%
Deposits under £2.000 ... 1 %
Deposits of £2.000 and over ... 1¼%
The foregoing rates are subject to variation.

LONDON

GENERAL TENDENCY WAS FIRM

YESTERDAY'S MARKETS

Business opened quietly in the London Stock Markets yesterday, partly because of postal delays and also because of a prolonged "alert." The general tendency was firm on the encouraging news from Cairo, and the markets finished the day satisfactorily.

The strength and activity were mainly in Gilt-edged securities, a renewed investment demand, together with the market shortage of stock, having led to a further improvement in some of the leading issues. War Loan 3½ per cent. gained 1/16 at 103¼. Quotations of the Funds are now being adjusted to accord with the terms of the two new "tap" loans, as the latter have made some of the older securities look more attractive.

British and Foreign Rails were featureless. Chinese Bonds were higher.

Mining Shares moved in the ascendant on better Cape advices. Industrials displayed some irregularity. South African Brewery and Gallahers were in demand at 102s. 6d. and 4 7/16, respectively, but Hudson's Bays, Scribbans and P. and O. Deferred all shed several pence. Iron and Steel Shares were firmer. Oils inclined harder, and Rubbers were maintained.

OTHER STOCK EXCHANGES

BELFAST.—3½ p.c. War Loan, 103 3/16 and 103 7/16. Northern Bank "A" fetched 62/-. Great Northern Railway Ord. was done at 3½ for small lot. The 4 p.c. Guaranteed Stock was dealt in at 33. British-American Tobacco 6 p.c. Pref., 29/4½.

CORK.—Second National Loan, 111; Third Loan, 110¼; Conversion Loan, 104¾; Financial Agreement Loan, 103⅝; 4½ p.c. Land Bonds, 111; War Loan, 103¼; Bank Stock, 286; Munsters, 97/-; Nationals, 35/-; Great Southern Guar., 25; ditto Deb., 49 ex div.; Cement Ord., 33/3; Cork Gas, 7½; Clondalkin Paper Mills Ord., 5/9; Gresham Hotel, 33/-; Guinness Ord., 69/3; Irish Sugar Pref., 24/3.

MANCHESTER. — Textiles quietly steady. Bleachers, 2/9 to 3/-; Dyers, 3/9 to 4/-; "Slubbers," 3/9 to 4/3; Calicos, 3/9 to 4/3; Coats, 29/- to 29/6; Courtaulds, 31/9 to 32/3; Dunlops, 32/3 to 32/9; Cottons, 28/- to 29/-; Velvet, 2/3 to 2/6; Spinners, 3/6 to 3/9; Henrys, 7/6 to 8/-; Turner and Newall, 65/- to 66/-; Wall Paper Def., 21/- to 21/6.

FAMILY ALLOWANCE FOR RURAL WORKERS

SENATOR TO INTRODUCE MEASURE

A resolution that the Agricultural Wages Board be called together with a view to obtaining an immediate increase in wages of agricultural workers was passed at the annual National Convention of the Cottage Tenants' and Rural Workers' Association, held in the Four Provinces Club, Parnell square, Dublin, yesterday.

Senator Tunney appealed for "a family allowance" to the families of rural workers, and announced his intention to have such a measure introduced in the Senate. Senator Cummins, President of the Association, promised to co-operate in this matter.

A resolution was also adopted asking for the extension to rural Ireland of the Allotments Act, in view of the urgent necessity for growing more food.

It was decided to ask the Minister for Local Government to receive a deputation in connection with the Cottage Purchase Bill.

Delegates were present from Limerick, Tipperary, Dublin, Meath, Monaghan, Westmeath, Carlow, Kildare, Leix, Kerry, Cork, Louth, Donegal, Offaly, Waterford, Roscommon, Longford.

Senator W. Cummins was unanimously re-elected president, Senator J. Tunney vice-president, Michael Kerins general secretary, M. Smyth treasurer. Committee—Messrs. F. McDonald, Abbeyleix; Thomas Hayden, Carlow; M. Conway, Limerick; J. Curry, Kildare, with power of co-option.

CIVIC GUARD'S WIFE SHOT

An inquest will be held to-day on Mrs. Elizabeth Corcoran (27), wife of Civic Guard John Corcoran, of Blanchardstown, Co. Dublin, who was found shot in her home at about one o'clock yesterday morning.

The couple, who lived in a gate lodge on the Blanchardstown-Castleknock road, had been married about two years.

LONDON CLOSING PRICES

*Ex-div. †Ex rights. ‡Dealings prohibited. ‖Ex bonus.

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

	Closing.		Rise or Fall
Consols 2½%	77¼		+⅛
Do. 4%	110¾	110⅝*	
3½% War Loan	103⅛		+1/16
War Loan 3% fully paid	101		+1/16
Funding Loan	113¾	114	
Victory Bonds	112	112¼	
3% Conversion Loan	103 5/16		
3½% do.	104		+¼
3% do.	107 11/16	107 15/16	
2¾% Land (1903)	81	83	
I.F.S. 4½% Land Bonds	110	112	
India 3%	82	84	
Do. 3½%	95	97	
Local Loans		90	+⅛
National Def. 2½%	101	101¼	

DOMINION AND COLONIAL STOCKS.

Aust.		Qld.	
5% '45-75..	105	5% '40-60..	101
4% '55-70..	105	S. Af.	
3¼% '48-53..	100¾	3½% '54-64..	95¾
Can.		3½% '55-65.	102¼
4% '40-60..	100½	S. Aust.	
N.S.W.		5% '45-75..	104
5% '45-65..	104½	4% '40-65..	101
4% '42-62..	101	Vic.	
N.Z.		4% '40-60..	101
3% '52-55..	92	5% '45-75..	104
3½% '55-60.	98½	W. Aust.	
Nigr. 6%...	114	5% '45-75..	106
		4% '42-62..	101

BONDS, RAILS, BANKING.

Brazil. 6½% '27	14¼		B.A. Gt. Sth.	5
Do. 5% Fd. '98	46		Do. 4% Db.	38½
Do.20 Yr.A	41		B.A. & Pac. 4% Deb.	52
Do.40-Yr.B	30		Do.Con.4½% Deb.	18½
Chi. 4½% '98	46		B.A. & West.	9½
Do. 5% '12	25	+1½	Do. 4% Db.	29
Czecho-Slov..	27½		Can. Pacific	7⅞
Egypt. Uni..	80½		Do. 4% Db.	54
French Loan	61		C.Arg.4%Db.	24¾
German Pot.	12		Do. 5% Db. 79-81	23½
Jpn. 6% '24	30		Cord. 1st Db.	66½
Do.5½%Cv.	36½		G.I.Tk.4%Gr.	103
Gt. Western	32¾		San Paulo	27¾
Do. 5% Pref.	65½		Bk. of Eng.	339½
L.M.S. Ord.	13⅝		Bk.ofMont'l.	45½
Do. 4% Pref.	51		Barclay A	10
Do. 5% Rd. Pref.	76½		Lloyds	49/0
Do.4%Pf.'23	37		Martins	7⅜
L.N.E.Pf.Od.	2¾		Midland	8 5/16
Do. Def.	1½		Nat. Prov.	39/6
Do. 1st Pref.	33½		Stand. S.A.	12¾
Do. 2nd Pref.	13¾		Westminster	68/6
L.P.T.B.5%A	115		Do.£4,£1p.	72/6
Do. 4½"A"	109		Alliance New	18
Do. "B"	86		Ldn. & Lan.	22½
Do. "C"	33		Pearl	13½
Sth. Pf. Ord.	13¾		Phœnix £10	9¼
Do. Def. Ord.	10⅜		Prudential	22
Do. 5% Pref.	82½		Do. "B"	65/6
Ar.Gt.W.5% Deb.	21		R. Exchange	7¼
B.A.Mid.4% Deb.	39		Royal	7¾
			Sun Life	5½
			Yorkshire	6

OILS.

A.-Ecuad.	18/0	Lobitos	31/3	
A.-Iranian	35/7½	London and Thames H.	1/6	
Do. 8% 1st Pref.	26/0	Mex. Eagle.	6/10½	+0/4½
Do. 9% 2nd Pref.	26/0	Phœnix	1/0	
Apex (Trin.)	25/0	Royal Dutch	18	
Attock	34/4½	Shell	40/0	
Burmah	2 21/32	Trinidad L.	3	
Can. Eagle.	8/0	Do.Pet.Dv.	49/0	
Kern Oil	3/4½	V.O.C. Hlds.	26/10½	

RUBBERS.

Allagar	0/9		Lon. Asiatic	3/3
All. Sum.	10/3		Malacca	12/6
Anglo Dutch	17/6	+0/3	Malayalam	28/9
A. Java 1/-	0/6		Merlimau P.	2/7½
Anglo-Malay	6/10½		Orient Trust	11/3
Batu Tiga	28/9		Pataling	28/9
Bukit Mert.	2/-		Rambutan	1/4½
Cent. Perak	1/7½		Rubber Tst.	26/0
Chersonese	1/4¼		Sedenak	21/10½
Cheviot	3/6		S. Siput	2/4½
Cicely	2/4½		Taiping	1/1½
Djasinga	10/0		Tandjong	13/9
Gd. Hope	15/0		Do. Malim	9/4½
Grand Cent.	10/7½		Telogoredjo	9/3
Highlands	1 3/32		U.SunBet'ng	2 5/16
Java Amal.	8/9		Un. Sum. 1/-	0/7½
Jugra Lands	8/9		Vallambrosa	6/3
Kuala Lump.	15/7½		Yam Seng	2/0

INDUSTRIALS, ETC.

Allied Iron	13/4½		Fine Spin.	3/9	
Austin (5/-)	13/9		Gallaher	4 9/16	+⅛
Allied News	13/9		Gamage	2/-	
Assoc. Def.	7/3	+0/3	Godfrey P.	1¼	
Aerated B.	4/9		Guest Keen	22/4½	
Assd.Cement	2 5/16		Guinness	70/0	−0/6
Assd.Br.Pic.	5/0		Genl. Elec.	72/6	
Assoc. Elec.	30/9		Home & Col.	3/0	
Babcock&W.	39/9	+0/3	Harrods	28/6	
Baldwins	4/6		Hadfields	21/6	
Bolsover Col.	40/6	+0/3	Hudson's B.	22/0	−0/6
Brown (J.)	25/6		Hawker Sid.	14/4½	
B.S.A.	16/3	−0/3	Harland&W.	10/4½	
Boulton& Pl.	3/3	−0/4½	Henley's Tel	19/9	
Bristol Aero.	9/9		Internat.Tea	11/6*	
Bovril Def.	22/9		Imp. Tobac.	5	
Bleachers	3/0		Do. Canada	3	
Brad. Dyers	3/10½		Imp. Chem.	29/10½	
Br. Celanese	3/9		Imp. Smeltg.	9/6	
Do. 2nd Pf.	10/9		Int. Combus.	4⅛	
Br. Am. Tob.	4 7/16		Int. Nickel	41	
Beechams	31/3		Ind Coope	68/6	+0/6
Do. Defd.	8/6		J'nson & Ph.	45/0	
Boots Drug.	38/0		Leyland	3⅛	+1/16
Borax Def.	25/7½		Lyons (J.)	3⅝	
Braz. Tract.	7¾		Lister	4/4	
Brit. Alum.	41/9		Lever & Un.	23/6	
Brit. Match	30/7½		Do. 8% Pf.	1¼	
Brit.Oil Cake	33/9		Do. 7% Pf.	1 5/16	
Brit. Oxygen	64/0		Lever N.V.	15/0	
Br. Plstr. Bd.	11/9		London Brk.	44/6	+0/6
Br. P. Cem.	3⅝		Lancashire	1 7/32	
Br. P. & L.	26/0		Metro. Elec.	32/9	
Bass Ratcliff	115/0		Mitchell & B	63/6	
Br. of Van.	19/6		Morris	24/7½	
Burton	8/0		Maypole Def	1/7½	
Br Insuld.	83/6		Marconi	19/6	
Courage Bw	46/3		Murex	78/9	
Cammell Ld.	6/3		Marks & S.	35/10½	+0/1½
Colvilles	19/6	−0/3	Oriental Tel.	25/0	
Consett Iron	6/3		O.K. Bzrs. A	24/4½	
Cory (Wm.)	72/9		Pease & P.	9/9	
Clan Line.	4¼		Powell Duff.	11/6	−0/3
Coast Lines.	5/7½		PressedSteel	14/10½	−0/1½
Cab.&W.Ord.	57½	−½	P. & O. Def.	20/7½	−0/3
Do.5½% Pf.	99¾	+¼	Patons & B.	49/0	
Do. 4% Pd.	98½		Pye Def.		
Calico Print.	4/0		Ruston & H.	23/9	
Can. Celan.	5¾		Rolls Royce	3¾	
Coats	29/1½	−0/4½	Reckitt	4 17/32	
Courtaulds	32/0	+0/1½	S.A. Brews.	99/6	
Carreras A.	4	−1/16	Sth. Durham	19/9	
Do. B.	10/3		Staveley	42/6	
Cerebos	8½		Stew.&L.Df.	41/9	+0/3
Crittal Mfg.	8/9		Sudan Plts.	24/4½	+0/4½
City of Lond.	5/6		Standard	11/4½	
Co. of Lond.	33/0		Sun.Pictorial	32/6	
Callenders	2⅝*		Scribbans	6/1½	
Crom.Park'n	17/0		Schweppes	28/9	
DormanLong	17/4½		Spillers	56/9	
DeHavilland	27/6		Siemens	18/0	
Dunlop Rub.	32/9		Thomas (R.)	3/6	
Distillers	65/9	+0/3	Tilling (T.)	40/9	+0/3
Dly.MailTst.	15/3		Tob.Secs.Tst	2⅝	
Eastwoods	24/6		Tate & Lyle	46/6	−0/3
E.&Mus.Ind.	7/10½		TriplexGlass	18/7½	
English Elec	29/6		Tube Invest.	4 9/16	
Eng. Cotton	27/3		Turner & N.	65/4½	+0/7½
Edmundsons	23/6		Utd. Steel	22/0	+0/1½
E. Rdy. G.B.	25/6		Utd. South.	4 7/16	
Firth Brown	3⅛		U. Molasses	23/7½	+0/1½
Forestal Ld.	23/6		Vickers	15/3	
Fairey Avn.	13/4½	+0/3	Wall Ppr. D.	1 5/32	+1/32
Ford	17/4½	+0/3	Whit. To'kins	1 9/32	
Finlay (J.)	48/6		Watney Def.	45/3	+0/6
Furness W.	18/7½	−0/3	Woolworth	54/0	+0/1½

MINING SHARES.

Ang.-Amer.	32/6		Marlu	5/7½	
Ariston	6/4½		Marievale	15/7½	
Ashanti	46/6	−0/6	Modder.	20/0	
Aml. Bnkt.	18/0		Do. East	4 1/16	
Bibiani	16/9	+0/3	New State A	1 13/16	
Bisichi	6/7½		Nigel	2⅝	
Bkn.H.Prop.	1¾		Nourse	2⅜	
Do. South.	20/0		Palmietkuil	3/6	
Blyvoor	7/3		Petaling	21/9	
Brakpan	42/6		Rand Mines	6⅜	+⅛
C. Mining	10½		Rand Selec.	16/0	
Cam. & Mtr.	1⅛		Randftn.Est.	36/10½	
Chartered	18/0		Rezende	5/16	
City Deep	2⅝		Rho. Ang. A.	11/6	
Cons.Af.Sel.	8/3		Rhod. Sel.	15/0	
Cons. G.F.	1 29/32	+1/16	Rhokana	8¼	+¼
Cons. M.R.	3 7/16		Rio Tinto	7 1/32	+1/32
Cons. M. Sel.	15/0		Roan Antel.	13/9	
Crown	12⅞		Rob. Deep B	2 21/32	
Daggaf'tein	2		Rose Deep	2¼	
De Beers	4 13/16	−1/16	S. Kalgurli	5	
Do. Pref.	7⅞		Selec. Trust	10/3	
Durban Dp.	2 15/16		Simmer & J.	19/3	
East Dagga	38/9		S.A. Land	4 11/16	
East Geduld	5⅞		S.W. Africa	1 1/16	
E.Rand Prp.	45/7½		Springs	1 5/16	
G.C. Selec.	10/0		Sub Nigel	1 5/32	
G. Bld. Prop.	4/6		Taquah & A.	18/9	
Geduld	7⅛		Tronoh	23/9	
Gelden Dp.	25/0		Union Corp.	6½	
Gen. Mining	71/3		Van D. Con.	23/9	
Govt. Areas	3⅞		Van Ryn	23/32	
Grootvlei	4⅝		Do. Deep	22/6	
Ipoh	1¼		Venterspost	1 17/32	
J'burg Cons.	38/9		Vereeniging	2	
Kamunting	7/9		Vic. Falls	3½	
Kleinf'tein	2 13/16		Vlakfontein	14/4½	
Krampat P.	8/1½		Vogels'bult	1 3/16	
Lake V & S.	18/7½		West Hldg.	8/0	
Langlaagte	8/9		West Rand	1⅝	
Libanon	2/9		Western Rfs.	22/3	
Ldn. & Rhd.	3/4½		W. Springs	37/6	
London Tin	18/9		Wit. Wit. A.	15/6	
Luipaards V.	18/9		Wit. Deep	⅞	
Malayan	31/3		Wilnna	5/0	

RATES OF EXCHANGE

Centre	Jan. 6 Closing Rates		Jan. 4 Closing Rates		Parity before 20/9/31
New York*	4.02½	4.03½	4.02½	4.03½	4.86⅔
Montreal*	4.43	4.47	4.43	4.47	4.86⅔
Geneva*	17.30	17.40	17.30	17.40	25.22
Madrid	37.25 sellers		37.25 sellers		25.22
Stockholm*	16.85	16.95	16.85	16.95	18.15
Alexandria	97⅜	97⅝	97⅜	97⅝	97.5
Athens	515 sellers		515 sellers		375
Helsingf's	180	210	180	210	193.2
Lisbon*	99.80	100.20	99.80	100.20	110
B. Ayres*	16.90	17.13	16.90	17.13	11.45
Lima	nom.		nom.		17.38
M'video	nom.		nom.		51 11/16
Rio de Jan.	nom.		nom.		5.89
Valparaiso	nom.		nom.		40
Calcutta	17 15/16	18 1/16	17 15/16	18 1/16	18
Hongkong	14⅞	15⅛	14⅞	15⅛	
Kobe(p.y.)	13⅞	14⅛	13⅞	14⅛	42.58d
Shanghai	3 5/16d.	3 15/16d.	3 5/16d.	3 15/16d.	
Singapore	28 1/16	28 3/16	28 1/16	28 3/16	28d

*Rates fixed by Bank of England. All others are free market rates.

WOOL

BRADFORD.—There is a further embargo on the use of crossbred tops for civilian trade, and this emphasises the dependence of the civilian section on merino qualities. The demand for woven fabrics for the home market has fallen off, but there is a well maintained demand for hand-knitting qualities. Spinners' quotations for yarns are very firm.

FINANCIAL NOTES

SECOND THOUGHTS ON B.A.T.

The first reaction of the market to the British American Tobacco dividend announcement was to lower the £1 stock units to 87s. 6d. Second thoughts, were that, allowing for increased income tax, as compared with a year ago, the total dividend for 1939-40 does not really represent a cut. Moreover, encouragement was derived from the official note that the reduction in the first quarterly dividend for 1940-41 by a penny to 9d., tax free, does not necessarily imply that the total for the financial year will also be reduced. At Friday's closing price of 88s. 9d., and allowing for the tax free 1s. dividend included therein, B.A.T.s show a yield of approximately 4 per cent. net, which is equal to 7 per cent. gross, taking tax at 8s. 6d. in the £. This is a high return from such a prominent Industrial, says the "Diarist," writing in the *Financial Times*. Nevertheless, in spite of the official qualification, there is an obvious risk that the tax free distribution of 3s. 7d. for the past financial year—against 3s. 10d. for 1938-39 and 4s. for 1937-38—will not be fully maintained next time. Much will depend on Sir Kingsley Wood's April Budget.

Net profit, after tax and the rate earned and dividend paid on the Ordinary stock for the past ten years, are shown below:—

Year to Sept. 30.	Net Profit. £	a On Ordinary. Earned. Per Cent.	Paid. Per Cent.
1931	5,334,448	20.1	20
1932	5,438,253	20.6	20
1933	5,403,066	20.4	20
1934	5,452,981	20.6	20
1935	5,469,171	20.6	20
1936	5,541,756	20.9	20
1937	5,760,450	21.8	b21¼
1938	5,590,886	21.1	20
1939	5,165,453	19.3	19 1-6
1940	4,865,442	18.1	17 11-12

a Tax free. b Including 1¼ per cent. bonus.

The annual meeting is to be held on 20th January. Sir Hugo Cunliffe-Owen is chairman.

Imperial Tobacco

"Imps" £1 units were quite uninfluenced by the smaller dividend the company is to receive on its large holding of "Bats." For 1938-39 the Imperial Tobacco Company paid 23, against 25, per cent., tax free. The interim for 1940-41 declared last July was the usual 7½ per cent. net. Should the final be reduced next month to 12½ per cent., making 20 per cent. for the year, "Imps" will show almost exactly the same yield as "Bats" now do—namely, 4 per cent., tax free, equivalent to 7 per cent. gross. Which is the better holding in war conditions is hard to say. So far as profits brought back to Britain are concerned the British-American is as vulnerable to United Kingdom taxation as is the Imperial Company. On the other hand, the former's United States business should be immune from any rationing of tobacco.

Coming Announcements

Many important company results and accounts are due during the next two or three weeks. These include the full accounts of British-American Tobacco and a few days later probably the report of Tobacco Securities Trust. Turner and Newall full accounts should be in the hands of shareholders by to-morrow. The full report of Lancashire Cotton Corporation also is expected next week, or at the beginning of the following week. About the same time the figures of Jute Industries are due. Publication of the full report of F. W. Woolworth and Co. usually comes about the middle of the month. Towards the end of the month the market is expecting the dividend announcement of Imperial Tobacco and the annual reports of Leyland Motors, Humber and Tilling and British Automobile Traction. More Irish bank dividends may be expected during the week, while statements are shortly due from A. Armstrong, Associated Properties and Irish Wire Products.

Fewer Failures in 1940

According to "Kemp's Mercantile Gazette," the number of bankruptcies in England and Wales during 1940 totalled 1,581, against 2,632 the preceding year—a decrease of 1,051. There were 475 fewer deeds of arrangement at 991, and a fall of 2,842 in the number of bills of sale. The totals for all Ireland and Scotland were small, and went in the same direction as other parts of the Kingdom. Commenting on the statistics, "Kemp's Mercantile Gazette" says that the figures show a greater measure of individual prosperity than has been recorded since 1914. Under almost every heading the total of failures during 1940 is less than during 1939. Notable exceptions are the building and timber trades (but here the increase in deeds of arrangement is more than offset by the decline of bankrupts), and the printing and stationery trades, which have had to contend with shortage of materials and a steep rise in costs. Eire, as might have been expected, did not fare quite so well during the period under review; but Northern Ireland showed a remarkable decrease (15) in the number of bankrupts, adds the Gazette.

Higher Rubber Profits

Revenue of the British Rubber Estates of Java, whose produce includes rubber, coffee, and tea, rose in the year ended June last from £96,011 to £169,536. And despite increased taxation, there was a net profit of £29,177, compared with £41. Under the provisions of the trust deed, £7,294 (25 per cent. of the net profit) is allocated to Debenture redemption. The 3 per cent. dividend is left covered, however, and the carry forward is raised from £18,871 to £19,184.

Another Dutch East Indies plantation company to report on its results for 1939-'40 is the Bajoe Kidoel Rubber and Produce Company, of the Harrisons and Crosfield group. Profits earned in the year ended March 31 last are more than doubled at £13,960, against £5,908, and the dividend is raised from 4 per cent. to 5 per cent.

Canadian Newsprint

Canadian shipments of newsprint amounted to 286,739 tons last November, which was 0.4 p.c. lower than a year ago. Shipments to the United States and overseas customers declined 0.4 per cent. and 0.7 per cent. respectively, while shipments to Canada increased 1.3 per cent. compared with November, 1939. Shipments represented 78.3 per cent. of capacity, as against 75.7 per cent. in October and 79.4 per cent. in November last year. Canadian production amounted to 282,344 tons during the month, which was a decline of 2.2 per cent. from the high level reached in the previous November. Production represented 77.1 per cent. of capacity, compared with 81.5 per cent. in October and 79.7 per cent. a year ago. Shipments exceeded production by 4,395 tons, and stocks held by Canadian manufacturers were reduced accordingly.

Latest Gold Profits

Rand gold mining profits for December (with those for November in parentheses) are as follows:—City Deep, £73,637 (£75,279); Cons. Main Reef, £63,118 (£65,823); Crown, £325,583 (£328,156); Durban Deep, £93,142 (£105,152); East Rand Prop., £128,263 (£130,093); Geldenhuis Deep, £15,162 (£16,248); Glynn's Lydenburg, £8,425 (£8,021); Modder. "B," £60,375 (£60,472); Modder. East, £77,832 (£78,267); New Modder., £90,954 (£95,255); Nourse Mines, £35,006 (£35,511); Rose Deep, £27,026 (£27,057); Transvaal, £5,637 (£5,616); Nigel Gold, £53,067; East Champ d'Or, £37,470 (£37,302); Govt. Areas, £185,247 (£185,076); Langlaagte, £10,008 (£10,173); New State Areas, £133,275 (£140,005); Randfontein, £140,312 (£140,349); Van Ryn Deep, £27,055 (£27,093); Witwatersrand, £18,160 (£17,188); East Geduld, £257,260 (£255,237); Geduld Prop., £120,488 (£118,604); Grootvlei Prop., £117,407 (£122,533); Marievale, £33,414 (£34,990); Modder. Deep, £8,016 (£8,037); Van Dyk, £79,592 (£76,123); Brakpan, £100,029 (£96,104); Daggafontein, £223,267 (£223,711); East Dagga., £66,734 (£65,704); South African Land, £149,648 (£149,628).

CHURCH SERVICES

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—10 a.m. Psalm, 35. Chant, 50. Jubilate, 70. Anthem, "Awake us, Lord, and hasten," Bach. Evensong at 4 o'clock. Psalm, 37 (1-20). Chant, 19. Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, Kelway in B minor. Anthem, "O God of Bethel," Tye.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL. — Matins at 10.45 o'clock. Venite, 387. Psalm, 35 (390, 191). Urbs Fortitudinis, 373. Hymn, 279. Evensong at 3 o'clock. Boys' voices only. Psalm, 37 1-20 (123). Magnificat, 124. Anthem, "Blest are the pure in heart," W. Sydney Greig.

CHRIST CHURCH, Leeson Park. — Intercession Service at 9.45 a.m.

ST. COLUMBA'S CHURCH, Ranelagh.—Evening Prayer at 7.30 o'clock. Rev. R. G. Stewart.

MANY GAINS ON WALL STREET

STEEL SHARES FINISH UNDER BEST

From Reuter's Correspondent.
NEW YORK, Monday.

The earlier net gains to-day were attributed to revived war optimism with the fall of Bardia and the expectation of rather impressive earnings reports with the gathering momentum of defence expenditure, although fears that the United States may be approaching actual participation were a definite "bearish" factor

The turnover of 720,000 shares included 787 issues, of which 401 were higher and 182 were lower.

While the war is the main source of unforeseen problems, the opinion is held that the market is more insulated against shocks than in 1940. The President's address had no effect on the general tenor of the market, which closed steady, with gains ranging to a point registered over a broad front. Some scattered issues, notably the Steels, finished below the best.

	Mon.	Sat.
Call Money	1%	1%
London Cables	4.03½	4.03¾
Montreal Cables	4.70½	4.69½

Parity.	Stocks.	Closing Bid Mon.	Closing Bid Sat.
4 5/16	Baltimore and Ohio	3½	3⅝
4⅛	Canadian Pacific	3½	3½
78 11/16	Louisville and Nashville	63½	64
17 5/16	N.Y. Central	14	14
257 11/16	Norfolk and W. Common	208	213
28 5/16	Pennsylvania	22¾	22⅝
16¾	Reading	13½	13⅝
10	Southern Pacific	8⅜	8¼
15 5/16	Southern Railway	12¼	12½
98½	Union Pacific	79½	79
	INDUSTRIALS.		
202¼	Allied Chemical	163¼	162½
	American Locomotive	—	—
	American Metal	—	—
111½	American Can	90	90½
53¼	American Smelting	43	42⅝
208	American Tel. and Tel.	167⅞	167¾
33 7/16	Anaconda Copper	27	27⅛
108 7/16	Bethlehem Steel	87½	87¾
	Case (J. I.)	—	—
87 15/16	Chrysler Corp.	71	71⅜
173 7/16	Eastman Kodak	140	140¼
42 9/16	General Electric	34⅜	34¼
59⅜	General Motors	48⅛	47⅞
30⅞	International Nickel	24⅞	24¼
3 7/16	Do. Tel. and Tel.	2⅜	2½
45¼	Kennecott Copper	36½	36⅝
5⅞	Radio Corporation	4¾	4¾
13 15/16	Shell Union	11¼	11⅛
27¼	U.S. Rubber	22	22⅛
85½	U.S. Steel Common	69	69⅝
159½	Do. Preferred	128¾	129
42¼	Woolworth	34⅛	33
	Silver Com. Bars	34¾	—
5 11/16	Brazilian Traction	4⅝	4⅝
11⅛	B.A. Tobacco Coupon	9	7⅜
	BONDS.		
142 7/16	U.S. Treasury 3¼% '46-56	115	—
16⅛	7% German External Loan	13	13

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Eng. Equiv.		Closing Bid Mon	Closing Bid Sat.
—	Bell Tel. (Canada)	—	159½
7 7/16	Brazilian T.L. and P.	6⅝	6¾
—	B.C. Power "A"	—	26
—	Do. "B"	1.25	1.55
1⅜	Canadian Car and F.	9⅝	8⅝
10½	Do. Preferred	23	21
25¼	Canadian Celanese Com.	28	28
31 5/16	Do. Pref.	122¼	122¼
136¼	Canadian Cement	6¼	6
7	Canadian Pacific	5½	5¾
6 5/16	Cockshutt Plow	5	4⅞
5⅝	Con. M. and Smelt.	38⅛	37½
42⅝	Distillers' Seagrams	26¼	26¾
29 5/16	Dom. Textiles	81½	81½
9 15/16	Imperial Oil	9½	9¼
10⅝	Imperial Tobacco (Canada)	13½	13½
15⅛	International Nickel of Canada	34¼	34¼
38 5/16	International Petroleum	14¼	14¼
15 15/16	Massey Harris	3⅛	3
3⅜	Montreal Light and Heat	28⅝	28⅝
32	National Brewers	26¼	26½
29 5/16	National Steel Car	5	5
5⅝	Quebec Power	14⅜	14⅜
16⅛	Shawinigan Water	16¾	16¾
18 11/16	Southern Canadian Power	10¼	10¼
11 5/16	Steel Co. of Canada	67	69
74 15/16	Hollinger Mines	12⅞	12¾
14 7/16	Noranda Mines	57½	56½
64 5/16	Bank of Montreal	191	191
213 11/16	Canadian Bank of Commerce	—	162
185 11/16	Royal Bank of Canada	165	165
	CURB PRICES.		
51 3/16	Hiram Walker	45¾	47
21¼	Lake Shore Mines	19	19
56¾	McIntyre Porcupine	50¾	50¾

† Ex dividend.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS

Wheat steady, ¼c. to ⅜c. up. No. 1 Northern Manitoba spot c.i.f. New York 87⅝, No. 2 Manitoba spot c.i.f. New York 86⅛, No. 2 hard winter spot c.i.f. New York 110½, No. 2 red winter spot 110¼. **Maize** steady, ⅛c. up. Western No. 2 mixed spot 80½. **Oats** steady, ¼c. up, No. 2 white, per 36lb., c.i.f. New York 52⅝. **Rye** firm, 1c. up. No. 2 spot f.o.b. New York 67¾. **Barley** steady, ¼c. down. No. 2 New York, all growths Federal inspected, 67¼. **Flour** steady, generally unchanged. **Lard** firm, 22½ to 20 points up. Prime Western steam loose spot (cents per lb.) 6.15, Middle West 5.95 to 6.05. **Petroleum** steady. Mid-Continent crude 36 degrees Baume (at well, per barrel) 102 cents; Pennsylvania crude (barrel, at well), lower price 112 cents, representing corning crude; higher price 215 cents, representing Bradford and Allegheny. **Burlaps** steady. Hessian cloth, light-weight (cents per lb.) 6.15, heavy 8.15. **Tallow** steady. Spot extra loose 5, spot special extra 4⅞, spot in tierces 5¼. **Cottonseed Oil** firm. Contract basis bleachable, prime summer yellow grade—Spot 6.40. Closing options—Jan. 6.47, March 6.47, May 6.58, July 6.68. **Shellac**—T.N. 15. **Turpentine** (bulk basis)—Spot 45¼ (barrel); Savannah spot 34½. **Tin** quiet, unchanged. **American Standard Copper** steady, 5 to 1 point up. Closing options—March 11.12 to 11.16, May 11.15 to 11.18, July 11.18, Sept. 11.16, Oct. 11.16 to 11.20. **Coffee** on spot closed steady, with Rio unchanged and Santos ¼c. up. Rio No. 7, 5⅜; Santos No. 4, 7⅜. Futures closed barely steady, with Rio generally 2 points higher and Santos unchanged. **Cocoa**—Spot 5¼. Futures closed easy, 7 to 5 points lower. Closing options—Jan. 4.81, March 4.91, May 4.97, July 5.04. **Sugar** on spot closed steady and unchanged at 2.90. Futures closed barely steady at 1½ points lower to half a point higher. **Cotton** on spot (15/16") closed 3 points lower at 10.58 (nominal). Futures opened steady, but at 3 to 5 points down. The market finished steady, with quotations 2 points up to 3 points down. At New Orleans spot (15/16") closed unchanged at 10.17 (nominal). Futures opened 6 to 5 points lower, and closed 2 points down to 1 point up. **Rubber Futures** (No. 1 contract)—Closing options—Jan. 20.29, March 20.18, May 20.04, July 19.85. Outside prices—First latex thin crepe spot 20 5/16 buyers; smoked ribbed sheets spot 20⅛ buyers, 20½ sellers; Feb.-March 20 3/16 buyers; April-June 20 buyers, 20⅛ sellers.

WINNIPEG GRAINS

Wheat closed firm at generally ¼c. higher. May 77⅝, July 79⅜. **Oats** steady, ⅜c. advance. May 34½, July 33. **Rye** firm, 1¼c. to 1⅜c. higher. May 50¾, July 51⅛. **Barley** very steady, ⅜c. advance. May 45½, July 43¾. **Linseed** firm, 4⅜c. to 2⅞c. up. May 147⅞, July 146⅝.

CHICAGO MARKETS

Wheat closed firm at generally ⅛c. up. May, 88⅜ to 88¼; July, 82⅞ to 82¾; September, 83⅝ to 83¼. **Maize** closed steady at ⅜c. to ¼c. higher. Spot No. 2 mixed Western, 70¼. Closing options—May, 63¼; July, 63; September, 62¾. **Oats** closed very steady at ¼c. to ⅛c. advance. May, 37⅜; July, 33⅛. **Rye** closed firm, with prices 1c. higher in all options. May, 49; July, 50⅛. **Lard** closed firm, with futures 30 to 17½ points up. Prime Western steam loose spot, 5.55. Closing options—January, 5.27½; March, 6.47½; May, 6.65; July, 6.82½. **Bacon**—Fat backs, 7.87½. Dry-salted bellies—Spot—10.00. January, 9.95. **Hogs** steady, with light kinds 5 points up at 7.15 to 7.40.

LINEN INDUSTRY IN ULSTER

CONSIDERATION BY PARLIAMENT

The Northern Parliament will meet specially on the 14th and 15th inst. to consider the report of the Select Committee on Unemployment dealing with the linen industry. The committee, presided over by Sir Wilson Hungerford, presented a report, which has met with the approval of the linen trade, which considers that the committee has provided the Government with a sound basis for a long-term policy of assistance and encouragement for the linen industry, particularly in regard to maintaining and developing an adequate flax supply.

It is probable that the Prime Minister will indicate the Government's attitude on the report.

The Select Committee has been hearing evidence on drainage schemes, and it is probable that an interim report on this subject will be presented soon.

"THE GREAT DICTATOR"

Charlie Chaplin's new picture, "The Great Dictator," was shown in two Belfast picture houses yesterday. Huge crowds tried to gain admission. The first showing was at 11 a.m., but from nine o'clock queues began to form outside the cinemas.

The manager of one of the cinemas stated: "I have been in the business for a good many years, but I never experienced anything like this before."

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Limerick Decree.—A decree for £24 10s. was given at Limerick Civil Bill Court yesterday to Cornelius Kearney, 15 Clare street, Limerick, against Henry Vaughan, hairdresser, 8 O'Connell street, Limerick, for breach of contract and balance of wages.

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Power to Confiscate.—A magistrate should have power to confiscate a motor car for public safety, said Captain Bell, R.M., at Enniskillen Petty Sessions yesterday, when he fined George Rankin, Florencecourt, 31s. 6d. for permitting his car to be driven while in a dangerous condition.

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No Parking at Dun Laoghaire.—In a memorandum to the General Purposes Committee on traffic regulation, Dun Laoghaire Borough Manager stated that the new code did not provide for the prohibition of "waiting" on the sea front, and he intended to make representations to the Commissioner in this connection.

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Saw Three Sovereigns.—The death took place yesterday of Mr. Michael Moriarty, Bay View road, Ballycastle. An ex-sergeant of the R.I.C., Mr. Moriarty had thirty years' service in the force. He had the distinction of being a member of the R.I.C. guard of honour on the visits of three Sovereigns to Dublin—Queen Victoria, King Edward and King George.

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Larne Memorial.—Forming a memorial to the life and work of the Rev. John Lyle Donaghy, who died in 1938, after a ministry of over 51 years in First Larne Presbyterian Church, a mural tablet and a Communion table (with chair) were unveiled in the church at Morning Service on Sunday by Mrs. Donaghy. The memorial was dedicated by the Rev. A. F. Moody, D.D.

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Wanted More.—When James Rutledge, Seskamore, was fined £5 at Omagh yesterday for making false representations to obtain an old age pension, it was stated that he told an official that his assets were £65, whereas he had £238 in deposit in the Ulster Bank, Omagh, and had drawn £161 8s. in pension to which he was not entitled.

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Work for Achill Islanders.—A deputation of Achill Island workers came before Mayo County Council and demanded an increase from 5s. to 7s. a day for labourers for a three days' week, and 8s. 6d. to 12s. a day for carters, or the present rate for a full week. The County Surveyor said that in Achill district he was spending more money than in any of the union areas. The fortnight before Christmas £780 was paid in wages, and in the middle of January it would be £1,000. He warned the people of Achill that if there was a strike he would withdraw the machinery, and the money would go to other districts. No action was taken.

OBITUARY

SIR JOHN BIRCHALL

Sir John Birchall, who had been Conservative M.P. for North-East Leeds for twenty-one years, until his retirement last year, died on Sunday night, aged 65. He had been an elected member of the Church Assembly since its foundation, and a member of the Central Board of Finance of the Church of England. Previously he was second Church Estates Commissioner. Sir John Birchall was the main "link" between the Church Assembly and Parliament, and until his retirement he had sponsored in the Commons every measure that the Assembly had passed. Empire settlement and social welfare were two of his principal interests. He received his knighthood in 1929 for political and public services.

THE VEN. ARCHDEACON BURKITT

The Venerable Robert Scott Bradshaw Burkitt, M.A., whose death at The Villa, Lismore, was announced recently, had been Archdeacon of Lismore since 1912. Graduating at Dublin University in 1879, he took his Divinity Testimonium in the following year, and became Curate of Killinane, Clonfert, in 1881. A year later he became Curate of Cappoquin, and in 1898 was selected as Rector of that parish. Archdeacon Burkitt played a prominent part in all the activities of the diocese, and as Secretary to the Synod was associated with all diocesan movements. He was particularly interested in the work of the missions, and his efforts as Honorary Secretary of the Church Missionary Society for the Lismore diocese, and on the Diocesan Board of Missions, bore much fruit. He was Chaplain to the Bishop of Cashel since 1913, was a Rural Dean and a Diocesan Nominator. His death is deeply regretted in the diocese, which owes so much to his work.

MR. ARTHUR TWIGG

Mr. Arthur Twigg, whose death at Greenwood, Malahide, was announced yesterday, was a member of a well-known County Dublin family. Born 73 years ago at Swords, where his father was Rector, he spent two years in New Zealand, and afterwards went to British Columbia to assist his brother in the management of property there. After a number of years in Columbia he returned to Ireland, and has lived at Malahide since. Mr. Twigg was a brother of Brigadier-General R. H. Twigg, who resides at Greenwood.

MR. ANDREW McCORMACK

The death has occurred of Mr. Andrew McCormack, father of John, Count McCormack, the eminent Irish tenor. Mr. McCormack died at Monkstown, Co. Dublin, where he had resided for the past ten or twelve years. He had reached the age of 86, and until his recent illness was a very active figure in the Dun Laoghaire district. He belonged to Athlone, where for a number of years he was overseer of the woollen mills. He left Athlone many years ago to take up a somewhat similar position in the neighbourhood of Glasgow, where he brought up his family, returning afterwards to Ireland. He was a member of the Third Order of St. Francis.

MRS. ALICE RUSHTON

Mrs. Alice Rushton (*née* Crosby), whose sudden death took place at her residence, 4 Upper Ely place, on Monday, was until a few years ago a prominent figure in Dublin philanthropic life, and, always interested in the welfare of the poor from the time when she co-operated, as a girl still in her teens, with Michael Davitt to organise a fund and secure comforts for the distressed Achill Islanders. In 1888 Lady Aberdeen sent for her to take complete charge of the Irish Village at the Olympia International Exhibition, and later she helped to found the Women's National Health Association of Ireland, of which the Countess of Aberdeen became president and Mrs. Rushton organising secretary. In this capacity she travelled all over the country lecturing and organising health exhibitions and branches of the Association. On retiring from this position she founded a fancy goods industry in Donnybrook, every article of which she designed herself. Her interest in child welfare was always paramount, and as vice-president, and later president, of the St. Andrew's Babies' Club in Mount street she will be remembered by many. Although failing health caused her to retire from this strenuous work, Mrs. Rushton continued to take a keen interest in politics and world affairs. Up to the date of her death she was immersed in writing her autobiography. She is survived by her two sons, Desmond and Gerald Rushton.

NEW MILEAGE CLOCK WILL HELP AIRMEN

A milometer for aircraft, which will enable pilots to tell what ground mileage they have covered, has been invented by Mr. Laurence Swadling, a twenty-one years old works chemist, of Beddington, Surrey.

The instrument, it is claimed, is the first of its kind in the world, and will prove a boon to aviation. Aircraft at present are fitted with indicators which register only air speed.

Mr. Swadling told a Press Association reporter last night that his invention will be of great navigational help in foggy weather, and that it will assist the R.A.F. in long-distance raids.

"I expect that production will start in the next few weeks. I contend that my invention is of even greater value to aviation than America's new secret bomb sight."

Mr. Swadling, who has designed a considerable amount of military radio equipment, made his latest discovery accidentally while working on a wireless experiment.

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LIMERICK TO HAVE SHELTERS SOON

A.R.P. ORGANISATION SURVEYED

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

LIMERICK, Monday.

When a survey of the A.R.P. scheme in Limerick was made, the Committee were informed that four sirens would be erected during this week at the City Home and Hospital, County Infirmary, Technical School, O'Connell avenue, and St. Mary's Cathedral.

It was said that virtually all the posts were manned by trained A.R.P. workers. Auxiliary fire stations have been selected, and fire pumps and equipment would be installed during the week.

The headquarters and control room of the A.R.P. Organisation will be at the Custom House basement. Arrangements were made for the assembling of respirators in the city.

The group wardens were informed that plans were prepared for the erection of shelters to accommodate about 4,000. These were intended for persons caught out in the open. People having basements or rooms under stairs should make provision immediately for their own safety.

GAIETY THEATRE

"BABES IN THE WOOD"

Jimmy O'Dea and Harry O'Donovan are evidently going to repeat the outstanding pantomime success of last year with the "Babes in the Wood," in which public interest shows not the least sign of abating. Rather is it being found necessary to put on additional performances in order to meet the demand for seats, and last night the beginning of a fresh week's run was marked by a crowded house.

The secret of the pantomime's merit is not really difficult to solve—the combination of O'Donovan scene construction, humour, and topicality, and O'Dea versatility, is stamped all over its success. Whether the role is male or female, farcical or merely funny, Jimmy O'Dea seems to strike just the correct note, and his comedy never palls.

But even O'Donovan-O'Dea could not pull it off without such an excellent cast of high-class artistes. Denis Barry's Demon is a fine piece of work, and the robust Baron Crumlin is well done by Albert Sharpe. Two sweeter babes than Maureen Potter and Maureen Flanagan it would be difficult to imagine; and then there is Lalla Dodd, Sheila Daly, Jim Jonson, Chris. Markey, Jack Maguire, Elsie Hobbs, and Harry Jameson—all of them contributing entertainment and enjoyment for "big, little, and small."

Robert Irwin, the well-known Irish baritone, and Mary Poswolsky provide special songs and dances during the show.

PEACOCK THEATRE

Dodie Smith's "Dear Octopus" was creditably performed by members of the Dublin Repertory Company in the Peacock Theatre last night, although to choose a play which contains no fewer than seventeen characters, some of them children, was a trifle ambitious.

On the whole the acting was good. It could have been better; prompting in a theatre the size of the Peacock is disagreeably audible. Ronald Ibbs, who appeared by permission of Longford Productions, was, of course, outstanding as Nicholas Randolph, the amusingly cynical young advertising director. The production was sometimes thrown out of gear, so completely did he dominate the cast. Alan Desmond, the grandfather, gave quite a polished little performance. Rita O'Malley made a delightful seventy years old "glamour girl," and Joan Scott was effective as the woman with a past. Considering their ages the children showed ability, particularly Milo O'Shea, who appeared by permission of Miss Ena M. Burke.

The play was produced by Evelyn Macneice, to whom credit must be given. Robert Mooney was stage manager, and Derek Smith assistant stage manager.

Others in the cast included:—Rita O'Dea, Eve Panton Watkinson, Jean C. Young, Anthony Walsh, Avril Graney, Patricia Macneice, Winifred MacConnell, Peggie O'Hanlan, Michael Lewis, Marjorie Williams, Marian Bell and Judy Jeal.

Lord and Lady Longford attended the performance.

THE QUEEN'S THEATRE

"Red Riding Hood," the enjoyable pantomime at the Queen's Theatre, Dublin, was repeated last night before a highly entertained audience, and will continue throughout the week

Spectacular, colourful and funny, it has proved as attractive to children as to "grown-ups." Eire O'Reilly, as principal boy, with her partner, Josephine O'Hagan, principal girl, are a captivating pair, surrounded and supported by an excellent comedy team, led by Harry Bailey, a real mirth-maker. Bill Brady, Molly Douglas and Mick Eustace keep the fun going, while Lollie Flanagan is a winsome Red Riding Hood and a host in herself. The Queen's Ballet and Chorus add much to the general enjoyableness of this pantomime

WISE PEOPLE ARE LOOKING AHEAD

It will not be so hard for those who look fit to find employment when normal times return, as it will be for many who are now soaking their scalps with the poisonous chemicals used in quack hair cure-alls.

No other person in the world can submit for investigation Evidence of Success in the correction of scalp and hair troubles to compare with that submitted by P. J. E. McDonough, 44 Rathgar road, Dublin. Write for evidence, judge for yourself, enclose 2d. stamp. (All replies sent in plain sealed envelope.) Facts verified by Seven Important Newspapers (including The Irish Times, The Irish Press, and The Irish Independent).

NEW SERUM DISCOVERY

CORPORATION THANKS CITY DOCTORS

WORK OF A.R.P. STAFFS ON S.C. ROAD

THE Dublin Corporation, at its quarterly meeting last night, passed a resolution, on the motion of Alderman P. S. Doyle, T.D., seconded by Mr. Sean Milroy, placing on record its appreciation of the work of Doctors O'Meara and McSweeney on their discovery of the new serum for treatment of diphtheria. They felt a special degree of satisfaction in the fact that the discovery of this new serum had been made in a Dublin hospital.

SYMPATHY

The Corporation, at its meeting last night, passed a resolution of sympathy with the relatives of the late Mrs. J. Wyse Power.

Proposing the motion, the Lord Mayor, Mrs. T. Clarke, said that Mrs. Wyse Power had been a very old member of the Council, and had won the admiration and respect of everybody. She had made one of the biggest fights for the Irish language when, on the occasion of her first election, she signed her name in Irish on the register of members, and an attempt was made to prevent her from taking her seat. She fought it out and won, and her victory was a big step forward for the Irish language.

Alderman P. S. Doyle, T.D., seconded the motion.

A resolution of sympathy was also passed with Councillor P. Medlar, who has recently suffered a double bereavement in his family.

ALLOTMENTS

In reply to a query by Councillor James Larkin as to what was being done to provide people with allotments to raise food, the City Manager (Mr P. J. Hernon) said that steps were being taken for the compulsory acquisition of lands at Donnybrook. At St. Anne's, Clontarf, a considerable portion of land had been set aside for plots if there was a demand for them.

A.R.P.

Referring to the announcement in the papers that the City Manager had delegated his powers as Chief A.R.P. Warden to a responsible official, Alderman A. Byrne, T.D., said he hoped they were not going to lose the services of the City Manager in that capacity. Mr. Hernon and his staff had worked late into the nights, and the public were not aware of the amount that these officials were doing on their behalf in connection with A.R.P. He wanted to take that opportunity of thanking the City Manager and his staff. They had opportunity of seeing what the A.R.P. and other services could rise to last week. He had seen men working in Donore avenue area taking personal risks and giving service which no money could compensate for. He felt proud of the citizens of Dublin and of the work of these men. They could not praise too highly all services which took part.

Mr. M. Staines also paid tribute to the rescue work of the different services, but criticised the action of curious people congregating at the scene and rendering more difficult the rescue work. On such occasions people would be rendering much better service if they remained in their own homes or areas.

Mr. Ralph Lynch associated himself with the tribute, and agreed that, while members of the public acted all right, it would have been much better if the people remained in their own districts.

Alderman P. S. Doyle, T.D., said that the citizens ought to be justly proud of the work of the organisations which took part in the rescue work. It was a great tribute to all those who turned up without any notice other than the sound of the explosion.

Mr. James Larkin said it was wonderful the way young boys and girls after their day's work turned out for the various types of drill and instruction in these organisations. They showed a very satisfactory sense of public duty. This fresh enthusiasm might not last, and he suggested that instead of having to depend on it they should appoint paid watchers in about fifty areas in the city.

NEW CHIEF OFFICER

The City Manager (Mr. Hernon) said that his duties and responsibilities were becoming so extensive and widespread that he felt, in order to carry on his work with greater despatch, it was necessary for him to delegate portion of his duties. He had delegated the duty of Chief A.R.P. Officer to Mr. Laurie, a prominent official fully qualified for the work. He would come under his direct control. He (Mr. Hernon) wished to thank the members of the Corporation for their appreciation of the work of the voluntary organisations on the occasion of last week's bomb incidents. In addition to these services, the military and the Gardai gave great help and assistance.

Dr. Hannigan asked if there was any intention to make the "black-out" more intense, or were things to remain as they were at present.

The City Manager said that at the moment he was not in a position to make any statement on this matter.

THE NEW ARCHBISHOP

A letter was received from the Most Rev. Dr. McQuaid, thanking the Council for its message of congratulation and good wishes, and intimating that His Grace would be prepared to receive the Corporation's address at the Archbishop's House at 4.30 on Monday next, 13th inst.

DUBLIN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

A special meeting of the Council of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce was held yesterday to receive reports in connection with the recent bomb explosions in Dublin. The Council read with approval the report published by the City Manager. Experience gained during this unfortunate occurrence shows that the general public should remain in their homes and refrain from visiting the scene of destruction while work is being carried on.

The Council requests all business firms to facilitate in every way possible the members of their staffs undertaking A.R.P. service or L.S.F. duties, and to deal sympathetically with those members of their staffs who answer the calls of duty.

WEDDING

MR. HUBERT BROWN AND MISS F. A. NAWN

Mr. Hubert Brown, son of the late Mr. John Brown and Mrs. Brown, of Lisbellaw, was married to Miss Florence A. Nawn, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Nawn, Main street, Lisbellaw, at Lisbellaw Parish Church on December 30, 1940.

The church was decorated with white chrysanthemums and roses, and the Service was conducted by the Rev. Canon McTighe, LL.D., Rector of Lisbellaw.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a squirrel-trimmed Burgundy suit, with hat, shoes, gloves, and bag to match. The bridesmaid—Miss Gladys Nawn, sister of the bride—wore a navy blue suit, relieved with silver fox.

Mr. Albert Brown, Magherafelt, brother of the groom, acted as best man; and the organist was Mrs. A. W. White.

After the ceremony a reception was held by the bride's parents. The bride's mother wore a black edge-to-edge coat and frock. When leaving on her honeymoon Mrs. Brown wore a Llama coat, over a suit of homespun.

RABBITS DEAR IN CORK

Thanks to an extensive export demand, the retail price of rabbits in Cork has jumped to 1s. 6d. and 1s. 8d. per rabbit. In pre-war days rabbits could be had around 8d. to 10d. each. Even as recently as last month the price averaged one shilling.

ABBEY THEATRE

"TRIAL AT GREEN STREET COURTHOUSE"

Ryan, a reporter	Joseph Linnane
Jerry, the barman	Finbarr Howard
Old Man	John McDarby
Counsel for the Defence:—	
Isaac Butt	F. J. McCormick
Frederick Falkiner	W. O'Gorman
Counsel for the Crown:—	
Solicitor-General Dowse	Austin Meldon
Serjeant Armstrong	Michael J. Dolan
Chief Justice Whiteside	Tom Purefoy
Chief Baron Pigott	James Dunne
Doctor Stokes	Michael Walsh
Doctor Tufnell	Harry Brogan
Doctor McDonnell	Eric Gorman
Edmund Vesey, a medical student	Denis O'Dea
Constable Mullen	Seamus Healy
Constable Holland	J. Winter
Henry Talbot	U. Wright
Doctor O'Leary	Edward Byrne
Rose O'Leary, his wife	Ria Mooney
Clerk of the Court	Malachy Dooney

There is a fascination in records of famous trials, and almost any kind of trial when put upon the stage can make exciting drama. This is a dramatisation of the record of a famous trial which took place in Dublin in 1871. It was reported at great length in the newspapers of that day; for it had extraordinary interest for Dublin. Reconstructed by Mr. Roger McHugh as a play it leaps into life once more, and is full of interest in its unfolding.

The trial of Robert Kelly for the shooting of Head Constable Talbot stirred the smouldering embers of Fenianism in 1871. The playwright has made it the purpose of his theme to show that it can stir them still. Robert Kelly as a name may not be largely remembered in Irish history, but it was the manner of his defence by Isaac Butt and Frederick Falkiner that gave this Dublin artisan his moment that linked him with the future of his country.

Perhaps, it is a weakness in the play that its principal character remains unseen throughout, but we are occupied with the drama of the defence, and forget that we are not brought face to face with him. This, we are made to feel, will ensure that his memory is safe with the custodians of the tradition—the ballad singers and the wandering men of the roads. For it is magnificently done around the lovable character of Butt, at the top of his form and in the full blaze of his popularity as founder of the Home Rule movement. In the moment of the trial it is conceivable that it was he and not Robert Kelly who was the hero of the day.

His defence of the prisoner was ingenious, even though it had luck on its side. It was that Head Constable Talbot had not been killed by the bullet, which may or may not have been fired from a pistol by Robert Kelly, but by the surgeon and his assistants who had made such a mess of the operation to extract it.

The surgeons who appeared for the defence were weak witnesses, and one after another, beneath the deadly blows of the great advocate and his colleague, big reputations fell down into the body of the court. These men were caught between the testimony of the shifty and confused medical student, Edmund Vesey, and the strong man, Dr. O'Leary, who, at no matter what cost to his future prospects, had resolved to be fearless in his evidence. That is the dramatic interest of the play, and it could stand even without the aid of the scenes in which the author has tried to enlarge it.

The name of Robert Kelly has to be firmly linked to the Fenian tradition, and yet it is largely in spite of the author that the play achieves this. For in its purely creative scenes his strokes are not sure. The character of Jerry, the bar-man in Barney Kiernan's public-house, says, in the presence of so many gruesome relics of famous trials around him, that he is "wore out with history," and that scene—not so successfully set either—threatened to wear us all down a little at the start. We could have been given a swifter sense of the period, but with the appearance of Butt, so finely played by F. J. McCormick, the story began to catch our interest and hold it. Still, a surer opening might have given us a stronger ending, and although the play does not fall down, the scenes in Barney Kiernan's are not big enough for the rest of it. They stand for the chorus of the drama, and yet they do not carry over its full force.

The production was marked by most distinguished playing from an almost perfectly chosen cast. After Mr. McCormick, who gave us such a grand study of the eloquent and kindly Butt, we had Mr. O'Gorman, forcible as Frederick Falkiner the other counsel for the defence; Michael Dolan and Austin Meldon giving us a full sense of legal ability as counsel for the Crown; and Tom Purefoy, in a subtle study, as Chief Justice Whiteside. The medical witnesses, Doctors Stokes, Tufnell and McDonnell, were exceedingly well done by Michael Walsh, Harry Brogan and Eric Gorman, and as other witnesses Seumas Healy, J. Winter and U. Wright each had effective touches to add in their brief appearances. To Denis O'Dea fell one of the most difficult, but best-played, parts in the play. Edward Byrne, as well as being Dr. O'Leary, an important witness, had to make himself an essential link with the background of the play. In giving us both purposes of the part it was almost impossible to prevent one from being confused with the other. He will probably succeed in playing it more sympathetically in later performances. Ria Mooney, Joseph Linnane, James Dunne and John McDarby had small but well finished parts

The play was given a very fine reception by a thronged house, and it should have a most successful run.

A FRENCH OFFICER COURTMARTIALLED

ACCUSED OF SUPPORTING DE GAULLE

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

VICHY, Monday.

Two well-known French Generals, General Duffieux and General Hure, with Rear-Admiral Cadard, were three of the five judges in the courtmartial which sat at Gann to-day to try a French cavalry captain, Gaston Raymond Victor Robert, of the Foreign Legion, says the Havas Agency. Captain Robert, who is 45, is accused of "a crime against the unity and security of the country," in having at Bizerta and Malta "incited the crews of certain vessels to go over to the service of de Gaulle."

The representative of the Government ordained that the case should be heard *in camera*.

The court held that he had been "deceived like the non-commissioned officers at Dakar," and he was acquitted. The fact that he had been eight times mentioned in despatches and had been wounded in the service of his country was taken into consideration.

FURTHER GREEK SUCCESSES

VILLAGES CAPTURED

ATHENS, Monday.

The Greek Army, according to the Greek official spokesman, has forced back crack Italian Blackshirt units along the coast towards Valona and have captured an important mountain position north of Klissoura, taking a number of villages. The spokesman added: "We captured 171 prisoners and two officers. In another battle ten men and one officer were seized. In the Klissoura district our troops, while cleaning-up, took 38 men and two officers."—(Associated Press.)

GERMAN-RUSSIAN PACT OVER BULGARIA?

BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BELGRADE, Monday.

German official quarters here put out reports to-day that the Soviet Union had agreed that the Germans should enter and take over Bulgarian territory. The reports were without confirmation from either Russian, Bulgarian, Rumanian or Turkish sources.

According to a Reuter message from Moscow Foreign Office, officials stated that they had no information about reports that the Soviet Ministers in Bulgaria, Rumania, Hungary and Yugoslavia had been recalled to Moscow for consultation.

INDIAN ARTS AND CRAFTS

INDUSTRY IN THE RESERVATIONS

Progress in Indian handicraft industries on reserves in Eastern Canada is reported by the Indian Affairs Branch, Department of Mines and Resources. Many traditional arts and crafts have been revived, and the sales of their handicraft products are tending to make the Indian people more self supporting. As a step towards the extension of these home industries among the Indians of Western Canada, six Indian workers from Ontario and Quebec are at present taking part in a demonstration of Indian handicraft at the Winnipeg store of the Hudson's Bay Company.

Articles on display and for sale at this exhibit include baskets, wood carvings, woven and knitted goods and other Indian-made merchandise The tribal custom of making beautiful articles from splints pounded from black ash logs and woven with sweet grass from the marshes is being demonstrated by noted basket makers. Although their craft is an ancient one, these Indian workers have adapted themselves to making articles which are useful to-day These include sewing stands, work baskets of all types, knitting bags, waste baskets, shopping boxes, fruit trays, and other similar items. For the children there are tiny cradles, papoose dolls, canoes, tomahawks, paddles, paper knives, bows and arrows, and other articles.

SWEDEN RECOVERS METAL

FROM TYPE-METAL RESIDUE

A method which allows an effective recovery of metal from linotype and stereotype residue has been invented and patented by two Swedish engineers. The inventors are Mr. Halvard Liander, who is attached to the Swedish Institute of Engineering Research, and Mr Arne Gunnelius, instructor at the Stockholm Institute of Technology, a private technical school.

The process, it is stated, is now fully developed and applied in practice, several large newspaper printing houses having used it for some time. It is proved that from 80 to 90 per cent. of the metal can be recovered from the ashes. A company has been established for exploiting the invention, which has equipped a laboratory for further researches and analyses of lead, antimony and tin alloys The recovered metal can in every case be alloyed so as to be of the right composition for the wanted purpose. The company has also organised a service for the printing houses, which enabled a careful control of the metals used by them for their machines.

In the present situation the process is, naturally, of special value, in view of the necessity to husband the available resources of type-metal.

FIVE MILLION BARRELS

IN EIGHT MONTHS

Canada's production of petroleum amounted to 868,651 barrels in August, as compared with 795,844 barrels in the corresponding month a year ago. During the first eight months of 1940 the Dominion aggregate production of crude petroleum and natural gasoline has totalled 5,426,813 barrels, compared with 5,066,251 barrels in the corresponding period of 1939.

With an output of 840,047 barrels, the Turner Valley field of Alberta accounted for more than 96 per cent. of the Dominion's output of crude petroleum during August. According to recent figures received by the Department of Mines and Resources, Ottawa, 121 wells are now in production, while drilling operations are being carried out at 22 others. Although the Turner Valley output represents only a small percentage of the crude petroleum refined in Canada, production from this field is reducing the Dominion's dependence upon foreign sources of supply of crudes.

NO NEW TAXES IN GERMANY

PRESS ASSOCIATION TELEGRAM.

BERLIN, Monday.

No new taxes are to be imposed in Germany in 1941, and existing rates of taxation will not be increased, says Reinhardt, German Under Secretary of State for Finance, in an article in the *Deutsche Steuerzeitung*.

Reviewing the financial results of 1940, Reinhardt claims that tax revenue has increased, and that the proportion of public expenditure covered by taxation is constantly growing. "The financial power of the Reich is stronger than ever," he concludes.

ANOTHER FRENCH RESIGNATION

BERLIN, Monday.

It is reported in well-informed circles in Vichy that the Minister of Labour and Production, M. Belin, has handed his resignation to Marshal Petain, says a Geneva despatch to the German official News Agency.

The matter, however, will not be settled for some days, it is added.—(Reuter.)

BELGIAN MINISTER'S KENYA VISIT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NAIROBI, Monday.

M. de Vleeschauwer, Belgian Minister for Colonies, has arrived here on an official visit. He is accompanied by M. Pierre Ryckmans, Governor-General of the Belgian Congo, and General Ermens, G.O.C. Belgian Congo forces.

FARMERS' INCREASED CASH INCOMES

Cash income received by Canadian farmers from the sale of principal farm products during the period January to July, 1940, was 30 per cent. greater than for the corresponding period of 1939. Each month from January to July of 1940 showed gains over the similar months of 1939, with the greatest increase occurring in July, while practically all of the major sources of income showed increases.

JOHN BALL'S BEQUESTS

The late John Ball has bequeathed to Royal Liverpool (states "Golf Monthly") the replica of the Amateur Championship Cup which the club presented to him on the occasion of his eighth Amateur Championship victory, the Open Championship Medal of 1890, and one of his Amateur Championship Medals.

ANOTHER RED CROSS STEEPLECHASE

A scheme is being submitted to the Minister for Justice for sanction for a sweepstake to be held in connection with another race in aid of Red Cross funds.

It is proposed to hold this race at Leopardstown on March 8th. It will be called the Red Cross Handicap Steeplechase of 1,000 sovereigns. It will be open for five years old and upwards. Highest weight not to be more than 12st. 7lb., the lowest not less than 10st. The distance, four miles and about 250 yards.

THE REASON ITALY ATTACKED GREECE

"BRITAIN WOULD HAVE INCITED FLARE-UP"

The Special Correspondent of the Italian Stefani Agency, telegraphing from "Somewhere in Albania," according to a Rome despatch, states that the Italians have proof that, if the Italian Government had not intervened in Greece at an opportune moment during the summer, Britain herself would have incited a flare up in the Balkan Peninsula. "We could not wait a single day," he adds. "The Greek Army was becoming better and better supplied and reorganised. It has plentiful and perfected artillery, automatic arms and the most modern methods and equipment. But opposed to the enemy's obstinacy is the tenacity of the Italian soldier, who is firmly determined to conquer."

Emphasising the high percentage of Italian officers lost in Albania, the correspondent interprets this as showing that "the dash of those in command is equal to that of those who obey" "In no war," he says, "has the percentage of fallen officers been so high compared with that of the men. The officers in command of regiments and of smaller units charge with their men—or even in front of them."

The correspondent refers to the aid given in Albania by the Italian Air Force and Navy, and adds: "Naturally the only force capable of bringing a solution to the situation is the army. The troops have shown this, fighting magnificently against all obstacles."—Press Association War Special.

DANCE

THE MEATH HUNT

The Meath Hunt Ball, held last night in the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, proved a most successful function. There was a large attendance, among whom were representatives of the numerous Irish hunts. A programme of the latest dance music was played by Cyril Gibson and his band, and dancing continued until a late hour.

Mrs. Denis Daly was wearing a long-sleeved dress of chocolate-coloured *crêpe*, and the Hon. Mrs. Corbally Stourton wore a full-skirted black gown. Miss Grania Kennedy wore pale pink taffeta, Miss Cecily Peel wore a burgundy velvet dress, Mrs. Frank F. Boylan wore black, and Miss Susan Colville was wearing midnight blue taffeta.

Among those present were:—Captain Fowler, Major and Mrs. Parr, Mr. W. E. Wylie, K.C.; the Earl of Harrington, Lieutenant-Colonel the Hon. Edward Corbally Stourton, the Hon. H. G. and Mrs. Wellesley, Count and Countess Taaffe, Mr. Simon, the Hon. John Forbes, Miss Diana Page, Mr. Loftus Arnott, Mr. Hubert Hartigan, Mr. and Mrs. Nesbitt Waddington, Colonel Curell, the Misses Curell, Colonel Bramston Newman, Senator Frank MacDermot, Miss Betty Evans, Mr. Edward Lennon, Miss Diana Coddington.

Mr. Frank More O'Ferrall, Mr. Denys Domville, Mr. Geoffrey Hamerton, Miss Josephine Lentaigne, Mr. J. F. Sutherland, Mr. Dudley Colley, Mr. Jock Colley, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Moore, Mr. George McVeagh, Captain J. Vernon, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Cannon, Miss "Tommy" Kerr, Mr. G. F. Annesley, Mr. G. V. Malcolmson, Miss Ann Mitchell, Mr. Bertie Goor, Mrs. David Plunket, Mr. M. Jackson Smyth, Mr. and Mrs. P. Rawlinson.

FRENCH WAR MINISTER QUOTES MARNE ORDER

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

VICHY, Monday.

Marshal Joffre's famous order of the day before the battle of the Marne was quoted to-day by General Huntziger, Minister of War, when he took part in the commemoration of the tenth anniversary of the marshal's death.

"Remember that to-day as yesterday," he said, "it is once more in the Army that the country has found its saviour. Let us recall the order of the day before the battle of the Marne. We are once again placed in circumstances where no faltering can be allowed. You should also repeat the immortal phrase. It is no longer a moment for looking back."

NOTED GOLFER'S BAD LUCK

Cyril Walker, who won the American Open Championship in 1924, has run into a real bad patch, and he is now reduced (states *Golf Monthly*) to sit on the caddie bench of a municipal golf course at Miami. Hard times, indeed, for him that he has lost club and home and puts up each night in a Salvation Army hospice. Walker was born at Manchester in 1892. He learned his golf at Hoylake, and went to America at the age of twenty-two.

A GERMAN-SOVIET PACT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Monday.

The German-Soviet agreement of March 1, 1938, which concerned goods traffic and financial dealings between Germany and the Soviet Union, and which was extended to December 31, 1940, has now been further extended to August 1, 1942, states the German News Agency.

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EGYPT AND BRITAIN

WAFDIST LEADER'S MEMORANDUM

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

CAIRO, Monday.

Britain's victory in the Western Desert, coupled with Mr. Churchill's reference to Egypt in his recent speech, has resulted in a revival of interest among Egyptian politicians on the subject of Anglo-Egyptian relations after the war. The Wafdist leader, Nahas Pasha, has presented a memorandum to King Farouk, stating that Egypt has not failed to fulfil any of her obligations to Britain under the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, thereby contributing to the recent victories, despite the fact that the clause in the treaty relating to the gradual withdrawal of British troops to the Suez Canal zone is at present inoperative.

KILLED IN AIR CRASH IN INDIA

ASSOCIATED PRESS.

BOMBAY, Monday.

Mr. Charles Kenneth Rhodes, Joint Secretary of the Home Department of the Government of India, and Lieut.-Col. J. C. Walker, an officer on special duty from the Home Department, were killed instantly to-day when an Indian National Airways 'plane in which they were travelling crashed in flames shortly after taking off from Delhi Aerodrome. They were flying to Karachi.

The pilot of the machine was also killed.

SHIPPING SPIES TO BE ARRESTED

AUSTRALIAN MOVE

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

CANBERRA, Monday.

Mr. W. M. Hughes, Minister of the Navy, to-day stated that the Government is organising a round-up of spies and "fifth columnists" to prevent the leakage of information of movements of shipping in Australian waters. He indicated that precautions against leakages of information were being tightened up. To achieve this he proposed to instruct the Navy Board to inquire whether too much liberty was being allowed to crews of neutral ships in Australian ports.

Mr. Hughes recently announced that the Australian Naval Board were investigating statements that the German Pacific raiders knew the British Admiralty code for communicating with merchant shipping.

In an information he said that information was passing through an extensive net-work of German agents in England and Australia. It was evident that somehow or other information leaked out which the German raiders in Australian waters found useful.

ADMIRAL LEAHY SEES M. FLANDIN

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

VICHY, Monday.

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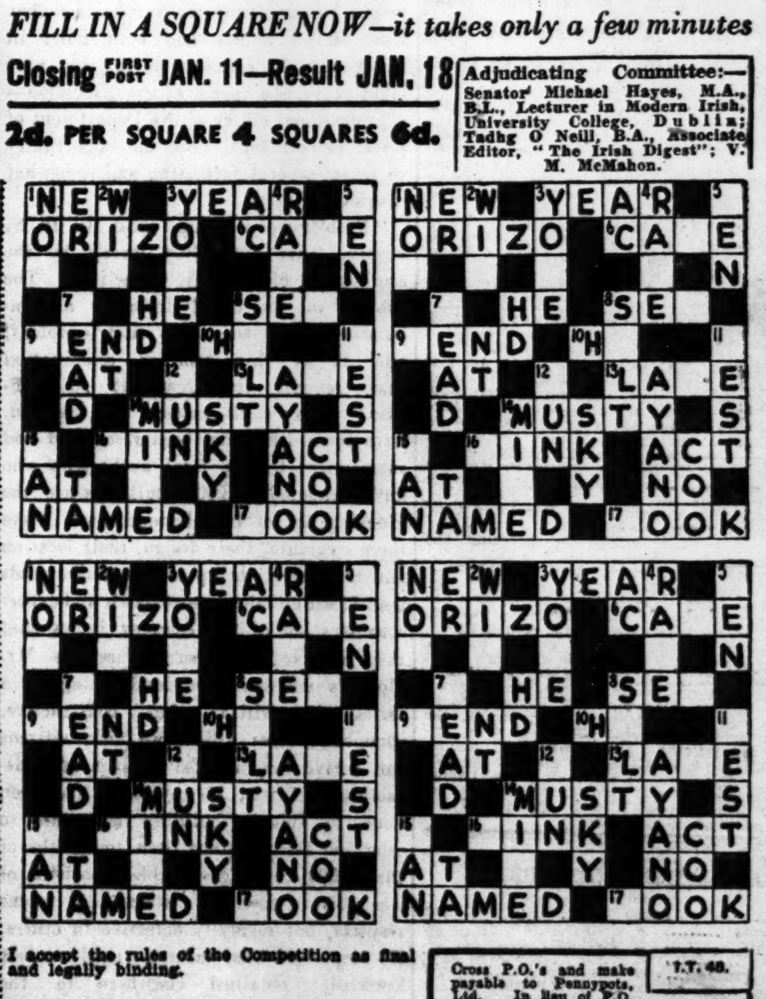

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By Order of the Governors.
SEALY JEFFARES, Secretary.
7th January, 1941.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CORPORATION OF DUBLIN.

CATTLE MARKET.

Notice is hereby given that, as a result of numerous requests by salesmasters and others, the Dublin Metropolitan Cattle Market (Beef, Pig and Sheep Sections) will be opened for the admission of Livestock on Thursday, 9th January, 1941, and until further Notice at 7.30 a.m.

P. J. HERNON,
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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.

In the Goods of ELIZABETH MAUD RACHEL HEALY, late of Glaslynn, Hollybrook Park, Clontarf, Widow, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the Statute 30 and 31 Vic. Cap. 54, Section 19, that the above-named Deceased, by her last Will dated the 28th day of April, 1939, bequeathed the following charitable legacies:—

To the Jubilee Nurses Pension Fund administered by the Queen's Institute of District Nursing, Lower Leeson street, Dublin, £200;

To the Richmond Institute for the Blind, Upper O'Connell street, Dublin, £300;

To the Protestant Home of Rest for the Dying, Camden Row, Dublin, £300;

To the Mount Street Club, £200;

The residue of her estate to the Adelaide Hospital, Dublin.

The said Testatrix died on the 21st day of July, 1940, and Probate of her said Will was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Eire, on the 3rd day of December, 1940, to the Bank of Ireland, the sole Executor named in the said Will.

Dated this 3rd day of January, 1941.

JOYNT and CRAWFORD, Solicitors for the said Executors, 1 and 2 Foster place, Dublin.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and to all whom it may concern.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE DONATIONS AND BEQUESTS.

In the Goods of EVA ALICE FLANAGAN, late of 10 Adelaide road, Dublin, Spinster, deceased.

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to Statute 30 and 31 Vict., Cap. 54, the above-named Eva Alice Flanagan died on the 6th August, 1940, and by her Will dated 3rd day of August, 1940 (after directing her Trustees to pay the income on her Estate to her sisters therein mentioned during their respective lives), bequeathed the following charitable legacies:—

(1) £200 free of duty to the Dogs' and Cats' Home, Dublin.
(2) £200 to the Society for Rescuing Old Horses.
(3) £200 to the Home for Aged Governesses.
(4) The residue of her Estate to the Representative Church Body, to be applied in augmentation of the Sustentation Fund of Killeevan Parish Church, Co. Monaghan.

Probate of the said Will was granted forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice in Eire on the 18th day of October, 1940, to Robert Nassau Alexander Flanagan, Frances Victoria Flanagan and Florence Susan Flanagan, all of 10 Adelaide road, Dublin, the Executors named in the said Will.

Dated this 1st day of January, 1941.

WHITE & MEARES, Solicitors for the said Executors, 41 Stephen's Green, Dublin.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests for Ireland, and to all others whom it may concern.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 7, 1941.

Housing in Eire

Much may be said in favour of the rule which forbids public officials to take part in the discussion of controversial issues; but, like other rules, its too rigid observance is not free from certain serious disadvantages. As the Civil Service continues to expand in its numbers, and to increase its influence in spheres of public policy, there is the growing tendency to absorb, and to inhibit, members of academic and professional bodies whose counsels and criticisms were formerly of inestimable value as contributions to the public discussion of social and economic problems. While members of the medical and legal professions have recognised opportunities to express their views on questions of public interest and importance, the rule which imposes silence seems to have been observed too rigidly by other bodies whose specialised knowledge and qualifications daily become more necessary to wise solutions of public health problems—problems which are tackled too often without adequate knowledge of their technical difficulties. Fortunately, however, certain channels remain through which engineers and architects and other professional advisers of Government departments and local authorities are free to take the public into their confidence on grave matters of national concern. One of these opportunities occurred last night, when the Institution of Civil Engineers of Ireland provided a platform for the expert discussion of issues which—in terms of public finance and of their social consequences—are of the gravest national importance. Prefacing his survey of recent housing progress by the fact that some 56,000 houses had been built in the twenty-six counties during the past eight years, the opener of the discussion—a professional officer of the Department of Local Government—took the opportunity to reveal several surprising and somewhat disquieting facts.

"Problems of housing," said Mr. R. N. Hogan, "are not solved merely by the application of scientific principles. The subject in its broad form is a combination of science, art and sociology, and it is this complex combination that renders its treatment so difficult." To what extent, he inquired, have these difficulties been recognised and surmounted by the local authorities who have rehoused 40,000 families since the Housing Act of 1932 became law? Have their structure, their design, their location and their relationship to other civic needs been based on adequate research and expert consideration of the complex issues that they involve? To such questions Mr. Hogan's answers were forthcoming in a series of critical, but constructive, comments, from which, we fear, citizens can derive very limited feelings of satisfaction. Little, if anything, had been done to submit building materials to scientific tests. More than four-fifths of the 40,000 dwellings provided consisted of concrete, excessively strong in some respects, but seriously defective in others. No steps had been taken to apply expert knowledge obtained elsewhere to the relative heat-retaining values of walls in thousands of the new homesteads. There had been a general failure to submit native building materials and types of construction to processes of research—a failure which seems difficult to explain, in view of the existence for many years past of the Council of Industrial Research. Thanks to faulty design, the protective qualities of roofs have been so poor as to cause increased rates of mortality among families that have been transferred from condemned dwellings. In these and other respects there was evidence to show that "there is considerable room for revision in the design of concrete for housing work."

Extending his survey from details of construction to questions of design and the planning of sites—which he regarded as questions for the architectural, rather than for the engineering, profession—the lecturer stressed the importance of site-planning to secure the recognised, but too frequently neglected, advantages of sunlight, and showed how savings could be effected by the skilful design of road approaches and other public services which are essential to the comfort and safety of occupants. In these respects, and in connection with amenity aspects of housing schemes, Mr. Hogan reflected that much yet remains to be learned and accomplished. On town-planning, the lecturer naturally had some interesting and pertinent things to say. His conclusions run closely parallel to those embodied in the sketch plan and report of the Town-Planning Consultants, whose proposals were accepted recently by the Corporation. Dealing with housing densities in their relationship to health and mortality rates, Mr. Hogan quoted the conclusions of "competent Public Health authorities, who have found in cities elsewhere that density is clearly the factor most conducive to high mortality." Flat schemes, even at comparatively low densities of 40 or 50 tenements per acre, were, accordingly, open to serious objection. Owing to the excessive costs of acquiring and clearing slum areas, lower building densities could not be contemplated. The ultimate alternative, as seen by Mr. Hogan and the Corporation's Planning Consultants, lies in the development of satellite settlements as dormitory resorts and centres of light industry. On the financial aspect of such possibilities he had much to say that was both interesting and encouraging. As a compendious and penetrating study of Irish housing problems generally, the paper deserves study by local representatives and others concerned with issues of practical social reform. The Institution of Civil Engineers has rendered a public service in providing the opportunity to discuss issues of such great and pressing importance. That public service would, we believe, be greatly enhanced if the Institution could arrange to circulate copies of Mr. Hogan's address in pamphlet form.

"Air Raid Precautions"

The City Manager has issued a long reply to certain comments by this newspaper last Saturday upon Dublin's A.R.P. services. We are willing to concede most of his arguments. We decline, however, to concede our original case—that the sirens ought to have been in operation, if not on the morning of the Terenure outrage, at any rate on the following morning, when bombs were dropped on the South Circular road. Mr. Hernon seems to imply that it is wrong to awaken and alarm many thousands of citizens for the sake of "what is, perhaps, an isolated incident." Surely our A.R.P. service has been devised to meet the special needs of this city and country—a neutral city and country; in other words, to cope with the isolated incidents which are all that a neutral community has any reason to expect. The fact is, as we said on Saturday, that many citizens of Dublin have provided themselves, in response to advice by both Government and Corporation, with private shelters; the Corporation itself has furnished a considerable, though by no means an adequate, number of public shelters. All these refuges, public and private alike, are useless without a system of warning, whether by siren or otherwise. The ordinary person is not wakened by the drone of a single aircraft; the first indication that he receives is the crash of the bomb itself. If he is unlucky, it is too late by then to bolt for shelter. Happily, no life has been lost in Dublin so far, but who knows if similar fortune will attend another of these incidents should it occur? A bomb might fall upon a houseful of people who, if a siren system were in operation, would have had just time enough to rush for safety. Is it not worth while to alarm Dublin if life thereby can be saved?

An even more curious comment on the condition of the A.R.P. services was seen yesterday on our picture page. When the bombs fell last week, every public shelter in Dublin was padlocked. Admittedly, there was reason why they should be padlocked, inasmuch as, while they still were open, their interior fittings were the prey of hooligans. Nevertheless, this position of affairs is outrageous. Are the shelters to be nothing more than obstructions to traffic so long as this country remains neutral? We have seen that neutrality does not protect us. Is our neutrality to be so that we refuse to take even passive measures for our own defence? Must we forbid ourselves to take refuge? The public shelters, such as they are, must be opened at once, and far more shelters must be constructed. There are strong arguments for the City Manager's view that a black-out is undesirable; there certainly is no argument for the closing of the shelters. Last week's incidents may have been isolated, but they serve as a reminder that our A.R.P. services ought to be on their tiptoes: another isolated incident may occur, with even more calamitous results than its isolated predecessors. The best services in the world will not avert damage: they may diminish it. The proximity of shelters and the knowledge that an adequate system of warning exists will do more to maintain the confidence of Dublin's population than anything else.

Schools in Wartime

When the war broke out first there were so many fundamental changes in the life of the community in Great Britain that it was almost impossible for the schools to carry on their work. Evacuation deprived the city schools of many pupils; the rest were more interested in the new aspect of the city under war-time conditions than in attendance at school. At that time it was hoped that the war would not last for long, and that the disorganisation of schools would be merely a temporary upset. Nearly a year and a half have passed since then, and the people have begun to realise that, although there seems to be no sign yet of an immediate victory for either side, the work of education will have to be resumed on a more secure basis. About a month ago came the news that the London County Council had ordered all children of elementary school age, who had not been evacuated, to return to school at once. At the moment it seems that the secondary schools are "in the news." At the Nottingham conference of the Incorporated Association of Headmasters a few days ago the difficulties which confront the headmasters in attempting to interpret official instructions were discussed, and a resolution was urged containing a plea for plain speaking. The staffs of the schools, quite naturally, do not wish to act on their own initiative without knowing whether they are right or wrong. For example, the Government has not yet made its wishes clear whether first-aid is to be included in the school curriculum; headmasters also have not been given any authoritative guidance on the question whether their staffs should join the Home Guard. In the air-raid shelters the pupils suffered all the time—in winter from cold and damp, in summer from the insufferable smell. When the shelters were built it was expected that air raids would be short and sharp, and no provision was made for raids which last sometimes for several hours, sometimes, intermittently, all night. Clearly, the ideal shelter for a school would be sufficiently large to be used as a class-room and sufficiently well ventilated to be healthy; the two things which must be fought in this matter are boredom and bad health. Not only are these and other immediate matters being considered, but plans also are being made for complete reform in the system of secondary education. These reforms will not come into force until the war is over, but plans must be made well in advance. The school-leaving age will be increased to fifteen, and possibly later to sixteen, and it is intended that a system of post-primary education for the future will be established on a less academic basis.

SNOWPLOUGHS ON FRENCH RAILWAYS

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

VICHY, Monday.

Railway communications are still precarious throughout the greater part of South-Eastern France, and snowploughs are being used on all lines. Although it has now ceased snowing in France, the cold snap persists. It will be some days before traffic is normal again.

In Paris the lack of heating has resulted in a number of burst pipes, with consequent difficulties over the water supply.

The bad weather extends to North Africa. At Oran a gale resulted in the collapse of a wall, five Algerians being killed.

U.S. ENVOY TO LEARN BRITISH WAR PLANS

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

NEW YORK, Monday.

Though official secrecy is maintained about the purposes of the visit to London of President Roosevelt's special representative, Mr. Harry Hopkins, the belief is growing that his chief purpose is to obtain from Mr Churchill privately what the Premier has not yet divulged in public—the full statement of British war plans and aims. The question which it is believed many high authorities here would like to have answered is whether Britain intends to try to defeat Germany on the Continent, or be content with a negotiated peace when Britain is dominant in the air and is generally holding the upper hand, but before any invasion on the Continent is attempted.

U.S. NAVY EXPANSION

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

WASHINGTON, Monday.

Mr. Carl Vinson, of the House of Representatives Naval Committee, to-day introduced legislation authorising an additional 509,000,000 dollars (about £127,250,000) for the expansion of naval shipbuilding and ordnance manufacturing facilities.

KING GEORGE BESTOWS KNIGHTHOOD IN FACTORY

Hundreds of men and women workers yesterday stood around and cheered when at the end of a factory visit the King mounted a dais with Mr. Allan Grant, the managing director of Thomas Firth and John Brown, Limited, who had conducted him and the Queen round.

Mr. Grant knelt before the King, who, taking a sword from his equerry, touched him on both shoulders with it, and said: "Arise, Sir Allan."

It was the first time that the accolade of Knighthood has been bestowed in public in a factory.

The Knighthood was awarded in the New Year Honours list.

ITALIAN CABINET TO MEET AGAIN

A meeting of the Italian Council of Ministers, the second to be held this month, has been summoned for to-morrow, states the German radio.

Mussolini will preside over the meeting, at which the new Italian Budget is to be discussed.—(Reuter.)

"PUSHING U.S. INTO WAR"

NEW YORK, Monday.

Ex-Presidential candidate Alf Landon said that President Roosevelt's message "pushed the United States further towards active participation in the war as Britain's ally."

"The whole tone of the President's message shoves us further into under-writing a British victory," he declared.—(Associated Press.)

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	9.39	9.39
Sets	5.25	5.26
Lighting-up Time	5.55	5.56

HIGH WATER AT DUBLIN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Morning	7.42	8.48
Evening	8.7	9.15

HIGH WATER AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Ballina	2.38	3.7
Belfast	7.12	7.37
Drogheda	7.30	7.55
Dundalk	7.27	7.52
Galway	0.52	1.18
Sligo	1.34	2.9
Westport	2.18	2.47

COURT AND PERSONAL

FROM THE COURT CIRCULAR.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE, Monday.

The King and Queen, attended by the Lady Helen Graham and Commander Harold Campbell, R.N., visited Sheffield to-day.

During the visit, Mr. Allan Grant had the honour of being received by the King, when His Majesty conferred upon him the honour of Knighthood.

Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret have sent the Christmas tree which they had for their party on Christmas Day to the Mayor of Windsor. It has been used at six parties for evacuated children in the town.

Viscount and Viscountess Davidson are in residence at Norcott Court, Berkhamstead, which is now their only address.

Lord Ravensworth celebrated his thirty-ninth birthday last week.

The wedding of Captain Chambré Brabazon Ponsonby, 10th Royal Hussars, and Miss Merelina Bosanquet took place on Friday last at All Saints', Headley, Hants. The bridegroom is the eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ponsonby, of Kilcooley Abbey, Thurles, Co. Tipperary.

The Earl and Countess of Onslow gave a dance at Clandon Park last week.

Mrs. Hugh Law has arrived from Marble Hill, Donegal, to join her husband, who has been indisposed in Dublin.

Mrs. Uniacke has returned to Monasterevan from Dublin.

The engagement is announced between Jocias Willem Roos, Reitz, South Africa, and Eva, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. McCutcheon, Kishogue, Clondalkin, Co. Dublin.

Mrs. Connell and Mrs. Massy wish to thank all those who helped with the party at Leixlip Castle for the Meath Hunt and also those who were unable to attend for their kind donations.

Mr. Frank O'Dea has returned to No. 1 Merrion square.

At the Switzer Sale Ladies' Court Shoes in Brown and Blue Suede, also Black and Brown Glacé Kid, usually priced at 28/6 per pair, are now reduced to 21/-.

Last two days of Sale Bargains in Evening and Day Dresses, Coats, Suits and Sweaters.—Margaret Watson, 17a Dawson street.

A White Lamé Evening Gown at 2½ Guineas is one of the exceptionally good bargains to be seen at Richard Alan, 58 Grafton street.

Leaders of Fashion in all Spectacle Wear.—Dixon and Hempenstall, Grafton street.

Slyne's Sale.—All models enormously reduced. For example:—Crinoline evening gown in shaded cyclamen poult-de-soie, originally 6½ gns., now 2½ gns., at Slyne's, 71 Grafton street.

Last few days of Sale, Stephens & Bourke, Ltd., 26 Stephen's Green and Branches.

Our Boys have now on a great Sale of their High-grade Clothing and Outfitting for the Boys, Youths and Young Man. So now is the time to replenish the School Outfits whilst we have a big stock and at Sale Prices. 24 Wicklow street.

Ladies, Be Prepared. Have a Shelter Coat made by Edyth Hanna (London Diploma), Designing and Dressmaking, First Floor, 37 Nassau street.

Superfluous Hair—Whole face cleared in 1—24 hours by Diathermy, the latest and safest method. No regrowth, pain or marks definitely guaranteed.—Mr. Martin, M.R.M., Berlin, 11 Lr. Fitzwilliam st. (Tel. 64910), Dublin, and 85 South Mall, Cork.

Sharpley's, Specialist, Baby Linen, Nursery, Accouchement Sets. Price List—2 Nassau St., Dublin

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT.)

UNUSED RESOURCES

In a leading article to-day *The Times* says:—The announcement of the reorganisation of the Government machinery for the conduct of the war on the home front appears to be the answer to that "undercurrent of questioning" about economic policy—or the lack of it—which Sir John Anderson noted during the debate on the Address in the House of Commons. At first sight it is difficult to gauge the purpose of the changes. The function allotted to individual Ministers during the last war have, apparently, been put into commission, and the public can only await the efforts of the new machinery to dispel the "undercurrent of questioning."

There is a good deal of disappointment that the achievements of our Navy and Air Force, and now of our Army as well, are not being backed as fully as they might be by civilian effort and civilian sacrifice. Whereas Germany, for some years past, has devoted all her strength to the building up of a great war machine, we, after sixteen months of war, are not yet putting our full effort. Admittedly, very great progress has been made in the past six months. The losses at Dunkirk have been made good. General Wavell's forces have been admirably equipped, as is shown by the victories they have won. There is no need to exaggerate either our own deficiencies or the achievements of German organisation. The enemy, we may be sure, is suffering from difficulties of his own, not the least of which come from the rigidity of over-regimentation; but, when every allowanec is made, it remains true that our resources are still insufficiently utilised, and that we cannot expect to beat the fully mobilised Germans until we put our whole strength into the war.

The Times adds that there is a growing exasperation over what is felt to be an excessive dependence of Ministers upon appeals to the public in matters where they have at their own request been given power to take whatever action might be necessary. Last of all, the impression has been created that on the whole economic side of the war the Government is still fumbling, without any comprehensive policy.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

In the Contract Bridge competition for the Munster Pairs Championship, played at the Royal Hotel, Fermoy, sixteen pairs, representing Cork, Limerick, Ennis, Tralee and Fermoy competed. The play was a Howell movement over forty-five boards. The winners hold for the first time the Munster Cup, and the first seven pairs qualify for the National pairs final, to be played in Dublin at an early date.

The match referee was Mr. W. J. L. O'Connell, Cork, President of the Irish Contract Bridge Association.

The tournament director was Mr. E. O'Mahony, assisted by Messrs. P. Kiely, J. Bowers, R. Magnier and Dr. J. G. O'Brien.

The winners were Mr. J. K. Coakley and Mr. D. J. Sheehan, Cork, with 187½ points; 2nd, Mr. and Mrs. J. O'Regan, Tralee, 187; 3rd, Dr. Roche-Kelly and Mr. W. Walker (Limerick), 170; 4th, Mr. J. Degnan and Dr. Dwyer (Ennis), 165½; 5th, Mr. T. D. Cooper and Mr. V. Roughan (Ennis), 162½; 6th, Mr. and Mrs. R. Keating (Tralee), 158; 7th, Gavan Kelly and Mr. M. Gubbins (Limerick), 156½.

PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

The Photographic Society of Ireland's winter lecture programme was resumed on Friday last, when Mr W. F. Aylward gave a lecture on "Composition." He dealt very fully with the subject, illustrating the various principles of shape harmony, tone harmony, measure harmony and balance, with diagrams and sketches. Afterwards he invited those present to criticise a number of his own pictures—an opportunity which was taken by many members whose work had, in the past, been criticised by Mr. Aylward, the Society's competition secretary.

ST. KEVIN'S HOSPITAL STAFF DANCE

A most enjoyable night is forecast for the staff dance organised by the officers of St. Kevin's Hospital in the Engineers' Hall, Dawson street, on to-morrow night. Dancing is from 9 till 2, and the music is by Michael Curran's Band. Two outstanding features of the event are the very valuable spot prizes which have been presented by the executives of the hospital, and the nominal admission charge, which includes running buffet. Catering is by Mills, Ltd.

LONDON LETTER

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
MONDAY NIGHT.

THERE was an attempt last night to repeat the fire raid on London, but it was a failure, and the raid, which was not on a large scale, came to an end before midnight. Fires were started in a number of places, but in every case they were dealt with by civilian fire watchers—men, women and children all taking a hand. Being unable to start fires, the raiders used high explosive bombs, which caused a certain amount of damage to property. Once again the Germans resorted to their former tactics of approaching London at a great height and diving down, but this manœuvre was rendered ineffective by the ground defences. Many buildings were damaged in the course of the night, but it does not appear that the casualties were severe.

Speeding Up the War Effort

A big move is to be made in parliamentary circles to secure the speeding-up of the country's war work, and it is not unlikely that a new Cabinet Committee may be appointed to see that more strenuous efforts are made to increase the British war effort. Mr. Churchill, when he addresses the House of Commons, will make a statement on this subject, and it is rumoured that important changes are in contemplation. Charges have been made recently that the British war effort is being held up by lack of co-operation between various departments of government, and, as this has caused a little unrest in parliamentary circles, it is hoped that the Prime Minister will be able to make it perfectly clear that everything possible is being done to see that the war effort is being satisfactorily carried on.

Mr. Morrison's Defence

When Parliament reassembles there will be some criticism regarding the fire precautions that should have been taken in view of the probability of fire attacks, and some members are putting forward the suggestion that such attacks on a big scale should have been foreseen, and that more adeqaute precautions should have been taken long ago. It is understood that a number of questions, containing in the main criticism, will be addressed to Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Home Secretary and Minister of Home Security. The setting up of a body on the lines of the Fire Prevention Executive will now probably be carried into execution. It was proposed last October that this body should be set up, but no steps were taken to bring it into being. Mr. Herbert Morrison will be able to put forward a strong defence, however, by pointing to the great army of highly-trained firemen who have done splendid work in all parts of the country, and his recent steps to see that every building is safeguarded by roof-watchers, which is likely to have excellent results.

IRISHMAN'S DIARY

St. Bride's Church

If Fleet street, with all its associations, must be specially loved before all the storied streets of London by newspaper men, the thirteenth century church in it, dedicated to the Irish patroness, St. Brigid, must make it dear to Irish people. Popularly known as St. Bride's, none of the churches rebuilt after the Great Fire of 1666 are richer in historic memories.

Almost opposite the church Wynkyn de Worde carried on the business of Caxton, the first English printer, and in its vaults are laid his mortal remains. Many names distinguished in literature are preserved in its pavements and mural tablets. Sir Richard Baker, author of "The Chronicles of the Kings of England," was buried there in 1645; Richard Lovelace, still remembered as the writer of the poem containing the lines—

> "Stone wall do not a prison make,
> Nor iron bars a cage"—

was interred in it also.

After the Great Fire the church was rebuilt according to Wren's design at a cost of £12,000. The most eminent citizen to be buried in it in later years was Samuel Richardson, the author of "Clarissa," "Pamela" and other "best-sellers" of the eighteenth century. Printers and Pressmen always seem to have had a preference for it.

Of the latter, the aisles exhibit many memorial tablets, notably those of Sir George Newnes, Sir Arthur Pearson and Sir Edmund Robins, who for nearly forty years was manager of the Press Association.

Butter Rationing

Some people have been doing a great deal of moaning about the temporary reduction in the amount of butter which they can buy in this country. If that is the worst we have to suffer, we shall not be so badly off.

Murmurs have been made about a shortage of this commodity in a dairying country, but what about Switzerland? In October it was announced in Berne that the butter ration for the period October 21st-November 30th would be 750 grammes per family of three—in other words, about 26½ ounces for forty days. And in pre-war days Switzerland was world-famous for its dairy products.

Firewood sales were regulated in the same month, and I see that coal, which is three times its pre-war price—and likely to get dearer—has been limited to 40 per cent. of normal consumption. Are we so badly off after all?

P. G. Wodehouse—

The news that P. G. Wodehouse has been discovered, interned in what was formerly a lunatic asylum, has suggested to a friend of mine that the Germans mistook him for a certain author, an acquaintance of mine.

By the way, has Wodehouse any Irish connections. The fine house and grounds named Omeath Park, which dominate the Louth side of Upper Carlingford Lough, were formerly the residence of a family named Wodehouse, and much of the land of Omeath parish is known to the Land Commission as the Wodehouse estate. The name is rare enough to suggest that the humorist is related to the former Omeath family.

It is not generally known that "P.G." has done better than Dumas, who employed "ghosts" and produced novels on a factory scale; for he has been turned into a limited liability company. His wife is chairman of P. G. Wodehouse, Ltd., and his daughter secretary. He is simply the staff—and I suppose that he gets a respectable salary with bonuses for turning out his immortal tales of Jeeves, Bertie Wooster and Ukridge.

Editors and publishers contract with the company, not with the author; so P.G.'s passing (long may it be deferred) will not interrupt the contracts or involve death duties or limitation of copyright. As long as P. G. Wodehouse, Ltd., continues its corporate existence, it will thrive on the undying stories, though "the hand that wrote them is no more."

If Shakespeare had put Ltd. after his name, what a royalty the company would be drawing now on book rights, film rights, broadcasting and anthology fees!—but there was no Ukridge to spy out the business potentialities of a clever pen in the poet's days.

The "Fortnightly"

A correspondent writes:—

The incongruity that attached itself to the title of the *Nineteenth Century*, as remarked just recently in this column, is more strikingly exhibited in the case of an even older periodical and not less famous.

The *Fortnightly Review*, founded by the well-known London publisher, Frederick Chapman, in 1865, originally appeared twice monthly, its first editor being George H. Lewes, a noted writer of the time, but now chiefly remembered for his connection with George Eliot. The new periodical was the first to adopt, as a rule, the plan of signed articles.

After Lewes gave up the editorship that post was filled by Henry Mosley (afterwards Viscount Mosley) in 1867, and the *Fortnightly* became a monthly review, but still retained its original title. Mosley occupied the editorial chair for fifteen years, and gathered round him a notable band of contributors to the review, some of his own best work being also published in its pages.

The *Fortnightly* has had several distinguished editors since Mosley's time, and still makes its monthly appearance, though it now shows a more flamboyant cover than that which was familiar to readers in older days.

White Heather

Have you ever noticed that, however much you search a hillside for white heather, you are rarely lucky enough to find a sprig? Yet, in city streets you will be importuned to buy white heather from women who appear to have an inexhaustible supply.

I mentioned this to a friend from the country recently and he told me that, if I wished he would send me all the "white" heather I wanted. When I inquired how it was done, he replied that the heather can be "bleached" in several ways. One of the most common is to throw an old sack over the ripening heather. The result is a pale flower that is as near white as makes no difference.

It seems that we live and learn!

QUIDNUNC.

25 YEARS AGO

From the *Irish Times*, January 7, 1916.

Compulsion.

The position with regard to compulsion as defined by the events of yesterday are as follows:—

The bill has been read the first time by a majority of 298;

The Trade Union Congress has condemned the bill by a majority of over 1,200,000 votes;

The Labour Party has been split; and

Three Labour members of the Ministry have resigned.

These members are:—

Mr. A. Henderson, Minister of Education, with a seat in the Cabinet;

Mr. W. Brace, Under-Secretary of the Home Office; and

Mr. G. H. Roberts, Junior Lord of the Treasury.

Mr. Henderson announces his intention of supporting the bill at all its stages, and several Labour members will follow his lead, and that of Colonel John Ward, whose patriotic speech was a feature of the debate last night. The possibility of a general election was discussed in political circles, but the Cabinet is strongly opposed to such a course.

Position of Irishmen.

Mr. Byrne has given notice to ask the Prime Minister whether Irishmen whose residence is, for the time being, in Great Britain, are exempt from the Compulsory Service Bill now before the House, and if not he will take the necessary steps to have them excluded.

NEWS SUMMARY

Amy Johnson, probably the best known woman pilot, lost her life while flying across the Thames estuary on Sunday.

After the surrender of Bardia, where 30,000 Italian prisoners were captured, the British troops were yesterday pressing on towards Tobruk, 60 miles away.

President Roosevelt told Congress, in Washington yesterday, that the U.S.A. would give Britain all help—even if she was not able to pay for the equipment delivered. The payments could be made later, and the material always would be of use to America.

A talk to Irish farmers on the need for growing more and more wheat was broadcast last night. The problems of seeds and manures were fully explained.

After seeing Charlie Chaplin in "The Great Dictator" at a Liverpool cinema yesterday, Lord Derby said: "I have been to only two cinemas in my life. I enjoyed the show immensely. It is a mixture of sentiment and humour, with the sentiment well on the right side."

ON THE WIRELESS

IRISH PROGRAMME

6.30—Light Music. 6.40—Stock Exchange, Sports Results, Official Announcements. 6.45—News. 7.0—Nora Finn (contralto). 7.15—Eachtrai na hEascon—Sean Sabhaiste. 7.30—Great Violinists of the Past: A talk, with illustration, by Basil Jones. 7.55—Irish Radio Orchestra (Conductor: Lieutenant Michael Bowles), and Frank Cowle (baritone). 8.50—"Ireland is Singing." 9.30—Barrack Variety, relayed from Portobello Barracks, Dublin. 10.0—Nuacht. 10.10—English. 10.30—"American Half-Hour."

B.B.C. PROGRAMME

7.0—Time, News. 7.15 app.—Records. 7.30—Exercises for men and women. 7.50—Records. 7.55—A thought for to-day. 8.0—Time, News, Programme Parade. 8.15 app.—The Kitchen Front. 8.20—Piano Music. 8.40—The Morris Stanley Sextet. 9.20—A talk by H. R. Jukes. 9.35—Donald Thorne at the organ. 10.5—Schools News and Record. 10.15—Time, the Daily Service. 10.30—Two's Company. 10.45—The Kitchen in Wartime. 11.0—Special Health Talk for Schools. 11.20—Sam Bennie at the Piano. 11.30—Orchestre Intime. 12.15—Chansons from 16th century France. 12.30—Debroy Somers and his Band. 1.0—Time, News. 1.15—Painting in Ireland. A talk by Paul Henry. 1.30—B.B.C. Northern Orchestra. 2.15—Westminster Players. 2.40—A short story. 3.0—B.B.C. Variety Orchestra. 3.30—Don Felipe and the Cuban Caballeros. 4.0—"She Shall Have Music." 4.30—String Quartet in D flat, Op. 15, played by the Menges String Quartet. 5.0—News in Welsh. 5.10—Welsh Children's Hour. 5.30—Children's Hour. 6.0—Time, News, Announcements. 6.30—News in Norwegian. 6.40—Sign Post. 6.50—Plantation Songs. 7.30—Scottish Half-Hour. 8.0—"Piccadixie." 8.30—Moiseiwitsch plays Liszt's Piano Sonata in B minor. 9.0—Time, News. 9.20—Talk. 9.35—"Think on These Things." 9.40—"These Men Were Free." 5—Washington. 10.25—B.B.C. Orchestra. 11.0—Debroy Somers and his Band. 12.0 midnight—Time, News.

FORCES PROGRAMME

6.30—Gramophone Records. 7.0—Time, News. Programme Summary. 7.15 app.—Records. 7.30-8.0—Gramophone Records. 10.15—Humorous Welsh Rhymes. 10.30—Sydney Phasey and his Orchestra. 11.0—Time, Christopher Stone on To-day's Anniversaries. 11.15—Records of Vocal Jazz. 11.30—Orchestre Intime. 12.15—News in French. 12.30—Orchestral Half-Hour. 1.0—News in Dutch. 1.15—How D'You Like Your Harmony. 1.45—Troise and His Mandoliers. 2.10—How Does Your Garden Grow? An instructive parlour game. 2.40—Animal Rag. 3.0—Music While you Work. 3.30—"You're the Top." 4.0—"She Shall Have Music." 4.30—Florence de Jong at the organ. 4.45—Record Time. 5.15—News in German. 5.30—Olive Kavann (contralto), with the Casino Players. 5.45—John Hilton Talking. 6.0—News in Dutch and French. 6.30—Naval Log. 6.40—"Signalman Smith Entertains." 7.5—Australian News-Letter. 7.15—Henry Hall's Guest Night. 8.0—"Piccadixie." 8.30—"The Babes in the Wood." 9.0—News in German. 9.20—"Follow the Drum."—8. 10.0—Time, Queen's Island Male Voice Choir. 10.30—Geraldo and his Orchestra. 11.0—Close down.

Mr. Percy C. Spender, the Australian Minister for the Army, at present visiting Australian forces in the Middle East, was expected in Cairo last night from Palestine, accompanied by the Australian Chief of General Staff, General V. A. H. Sturdee.—(Associated Press.)

HOW U.S.A. WILL AID BRITAIN

All Kinds of War Materials To Be Sent

DEFERRED PAYMENTS AND LOAN BASIS

Roosevelt's Historic Speech To Congress

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT told the seventy-seventh Congress in Washington last night that he planned an ever-increasing flow of war materials to the democracies—even if they could not pay for them.

He said that the dictators, if they wanted to make war on America, would not wait for an act of war by the United States.

The United States was, he said, committed to the support of those resisting aggression and could never agree to a peace dictated "by aggressors sponsored by appeasers."

They would send materials for which they would be repaid within a reasonable time after peace in similar materials or goods needed in America.

"We shall send, in ever-increasing numbers, ships, 'planes, tanks and guns—this is our purpose and our pledge," he said.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

EMPHATIC ANSWER TO DICTATORS

Mr. Roosevelt said that he addressed Congress at a moment unprecedented in the history of the Union, adding: "I use the word unprecedented because at no previous time has American security been as seriously threatened from without as it is to-day."

Reviewing American history since 1789, Mr. Roosevelt recalled that, while the Napoleonic struggles threatened the interests of the United States because of the French foothold in the West Indies and Louisiana, it was, nevertheless, clear that neither France, Britain, nor any other nation was aiming at the domination of the whole world.

VERSAILLES

Even when the World War broke out in 1914 it seemed certain that it was only a small theat to America's future, but as time went on the American people began to visualise what the downfall of the democratic nations might mean to our own democracy. We need not ever-emphasise the imperfections of the Peace of Versailles. We need not harp on the failures of the democracies to deal with the problems of world reconstruction. We should remember that the peace of 1919 was far less unjust than the kind of "pacification" which began even before Munich, and which is being carried out under the new order of tyranny that seeks to spread over every country to-day. The American people have unalterably set their faces against that.

Mr. Roosevelt went on: "The democratic way of life is at this moment being directly assailed in every part of the world—assailed either by arms or by the secret spreading of poisonous propaganda by those who seek to destroy unity and promote discord in the nations still at peace. During sixteen months this assault has blotted out the whole pattern of life in an appalling number of independent nations, great and small. The assailants are still on the march threatening other nations, great and small.

"IF DEFENCE FAILS"

Mr. Roosevelt continued:—"Therefore, as your President, performing my constitutional duty to give Congress information on the state of the Union, I find it necessary to report that the future safety of our country and our democracy are overwhelmingly involved in events far beyond our borders. The armed defence of democratic existence is now being gallantly waged in four Continents. If that defence fails, all the population, all the resources of Europe, Asia, Africa and Australasia will be dominated by the conquerors."

Declaring that it was immature and, incidentally, untrue for anybody to brag that an unprepared America—single-handed and with one hand tied behind its back—could hold off the whole world, President Roosevelt gave a warning that no realistic American could expect international generosity, a return of true independence, world disarmament or even good business from a dictators' peace.

"We must always be wary of those who, with sounding brass and tinkling cymbals, preach the 'ism' of appeasement," he said. "We must especially beware of that small group of selfish men who would clip the wings of the American eagle in order to feather their own nests. There is much loose talk of immunity from direct invasion from across the seas. Obviously as long as the British Navy retains its power no such danger exists. Even if there were no British Navy, it is improbable that any enemy would be stupid enough to attack us by landing troops in the United States from across thousands of miles of ocean until it had acquired strategic bases from which to operate.

IN SERIOUS DANGER

President Roosevelt said that the first phase of invasion in their hemisphere would be an occupation by secret agents and their dupes—"and great numbers of them are already here and in Latin America"—of necessary strategic points, adding: "as long as aggressor nations maintain the offensive they, and not we, will choose the time, place and method of their attack. That is why the future of all American republics is to-day in serious danger. That is why every member of the executive branch of the Government and every member of Congress face a great responsibility and a great accountability."

Declaring that American national policy in foreign affairs is based on a decent respect for the rights and dignity of all nations, large and small, and that the justice of morality would win in the end, President Roosevelt condensed his policy into three points:—

FIRST—By an impressive expression of the public will, without regard to partisanship, the United States is committed to all-inclusive national defence.

SECOND—By an impressive expression of the public will, without regard to partisanship, the United States is committed to the full support of all those resolute peoples everywhere, who are resisting aggression, thereby keeping the war away from this hemisphere.

THIRD—By an impressive expression of the public will, without regard to partisanship, the United States is committed to the proposition that the principles of morality and considerations of her own security would never permit her to acquiese in a peace dictated by aggressors, sponsored by appeasers.

CANNOT BE BOUGHT

"We know that enduring peace cannot be bought at the cost of other people's freedom," said Mr. Roosevelt, adding that he was not satisfied with progress thus far made in production. Quicker and better results must be obtained.

"We are behind schedule in turning out finished aeroplanes," he said. "We are working day and night to solve innumerable problems and to catch up. We are ahead of schedule in building warships, but we are working to get even further ahead of schedule.

"New circumstances are constantly begetting new needs for our safety. I shall ask Congress for greatly increased new appropriations and authorisations to carry on what we have begun. I shall ask Congress for authority for funds sufficient to manufacture additional munitions and war supplies of many kinds to be turned over to those nations which are now in actual war with aggressor nations.

U.S. AS ARSENAL

"Our most useful *rôle* is to act as an arsenal for them as well as for ourselves.

"They do not need man-power—they do need billions of dollars worth of weapons of defence.

"The time is near when they will not be able to pay for them in ready cash. We cannot and will not tell them they must surrender because of their present inability to pay for weapons which we know they must have.

"I do not recommend that we make them a loan of dollars with which to pay for these weapons—loans to be repaid in dollars.

"I recommend that we make it possible for those nations to continue to obtain war materials in the United States, fitting their orders into our own programme. Nearly all their material would, if the time ever came, be useful for our own defence.

"For what we send abroad we shall be repaid within a reasonable time following the close of hostilities in similar materials or, at our own option, in other goods, which they can produce and which we need.

MORE OF EVERYTHING

"Let us say to the Democracies," went on Mr Roosevelt, "we, Americans, are vitally concerned in your defence of freedom. We are putting forth our energies, resources and organising powers to give you strength to regain and maintain a free world. We shall send you in ever-increasing numbers ships, 'planes, tanks and guns. This is our purpose and our pledge.

"In fulfilment of this purpose we will not be intimidated by the threats of the Dictators that they will regard as a breach of international law, and as an act of war, our aid to the Democracies which dare to resist their aggression.

"Such aid is not an act of war, even if a Dictator should unilaterally proclaim it so to be.

"When the Dictators are ready to make war on us they will not wait for an act of war on our part. They did not wait for Norway, Belgium or the Netherlands to commit an act of war.

"Their only interest is in the new one-way international law, which lacks mutuality in its observance, and, therefore, becomes an instrument of oppression.

MORE TAXES

Declaring that all must be prepared to make the sacrifices which the emergency demanded, President Roosevelt said that in his Budget message he would recommend that a greater portion of the defence programme should be paid from taxation than was being paid at present. No person should try, or be allowed, to get rich from this programme.

In future days they would look forward to the four essential human freedoms—freedom of speech and expression everywhere; the freedom of the right to worship God in their own way everywhere; freedom from want, and freedom from fear.

The President concluded:—

"This nation has placed its destiny in the hands, heads and hearts of millions of free men and women, and its faith in freedom under the guidance of God. Freedom means the supremacy of man's rights. Everywhere our support goes to those who struggle to gain those rights or keep them. Our strength is in our unity of purposes. To that high conception there can be no end, save victory."

NO ISOLATION

Early in his speech President Roosevelt declared:—"The United States as a nation has at all times maintained opposition to any attempt to lock us in behind an ancient Chinese wall, while the procession of civilisation went past. To-day, thinking of our children and their children we oppose enforced isolation for ourselves or for any part of the Americas."

"A dictators' peace," he said, "would bring no security for us or our neighbours. Those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety."

Other points made by the President were:—

"I have recently pointed out how quickly the tempo of modern warfare could bring into our very midst the physical attack which we must expect if the dictator nations win this war.

"The happiness of future generations of Americans may well depend upon how effective and how immediate we can make our aid felt.

"The nation's hands must not be tied while the nation's life is in danger."

Loud and frequent cheers punctuated the President's address.

President Roosevelt wore a double-breasted grey suit, contrasting sharply with the formal morning attire of almost all the other men present. Closely guarded by secret service men, he entered the Capitol amid vociferous applause from the packed house, which included all Washington's Diplomatic Corps.

Mrs. Roosevelt was also present.

Before he delivered his message, the Senate and House of Representatives formally declared him elected for a third term, simultaneously confirming the election of Mr. Wallace as Vice-President.

(Press Association Report.)

LONDON APPRECIATION

"A terse and masterly summary of the present world situation," was a description in official circles in London last night of President Roosevelt's speech.

While it is not possible to give a full reaction to it at short notice, it was stated, this most interesting speech is being studied with the greatest possible appreciation.

THREE DAY RAIDS ON LONDON

BARRAGE BALLOON SHOT DOWN

PRESS ASSOCIATION TELEGRAM.

LONDON, Monday.

The German Air Force to-day returned to daylight attacks on London, which had three "alerts."

The first was caused by a reconnaissance machine, which turned back on reaching the outskirts.

Anti-aircraft guns were active during the two later warnings.

Machine-gun fire was heard and bombs were dropped in some districts.

Day raids in East Anglia and the South-Eastern approaches to London were carried out probably by the same type of fighter-bomber as was used for the visits to London.

Twenty bombs were dropped at one East Anglian town, but all fell in open country, and there were no casualties. Ground machine-guns and the Home Guard opened fire.

A man and a girl were killed when two bombs hit commercial premises during the second raid on London, and there were other casualties. Bombs destroyed two houses and damaged about a dozen others.

THIRD "ALERT"

Guns on the outskirts opened fire some minutes before the third "alert." 'Planes were heard flying fairly low. Then there was a brief silence, broken by machine-gun fire, and the "raiders passed" signal was given very shortly after a burst of activity from the ground defences.

During the afternoon a German 'plane machine-gunned a barrage balloon on the outskirts of London, and the balloon came down in flames on a recreation ground. No casualties and no damage were reported.

There was no air activity over Britain up to a late hour to-night. A lone 'plane was driven off by anti-aircraft fire early in the evening, but it is probable that weather conditions over Northern France were responsible for the lack of later activity.

The British Air Ministry report shortly before six o'clock p.m. stated:—

"Single enemy aircraft have flown over South-East and Eastern England on several occasions to-day.

"Bombs have been dropped in the London area, at a place in Kent, and at some places in the Eastern counties.

"Some damage was done to houses and shops, and a small number of people was killed and others were injured."

DUKE OF KENT VISITS FLEET STREET

"The Duke of Kent to-day paid an informal visit to Fleet street," states the British Ministry of Information.

"After inspecting newspaper offices which have suffered from air raids during the last few months, the Duke said that he had been glad of the opportunity of seeing for himself how the newspapers had overcome the many difficulties with which they had been confronted. He was amazed at the unfailing regularity with which morning and evening papers had managed to appear at their usual times. He said, in particular, how much he regretted the damage done to St. Bride's, 'the cathedral of Fleet street.'"

"TEN BRITISH 'PLANES HIT"

GERMAN STORY OF BOMBS ON ENGLAND

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

BERLIN, Monday.

"A German bomber to-day successfully attacked an important chemical factory in the North of London by bombing and machine-gunning from a low altitude," states the German News Agency. "The 'plane scored four direct hits, which set the factory on fire. After the bombs exploded flames and thick clouds of smoke were observed over the buildings. German bombers also carried out attacks on important railway lines and crossings in the counties between London and the industrial centre of the Midlands.

"Another 'plane bombed a railway station from a low level, destroying several goods trucks and the lines. At three points fires broke out among the targets. A railway line near Colchester was successfully attacked with a large number of bombs."

A German wireless announcement claims that a German bomber attacked Wolverhampton aerodrome in the afternoon. "The first series of ten bombs hit ten 'planes on the ground," the announcer stated, "while the second stick of four bombs struck a hangar and largely demolished it."

MR. HOPKINS LEAVES FOR ENGLAND

LA GUARDIA AIRPORT, NEW YORK, Monday.

Mr. Harry Hopkins, former U.S. Secretary of Commerce, left by Clipper to-day for England, where he will act as President Roosevelt's personal representative pending the appointment of a new U.S. Ambassador.—(Reuter.)

GERMANS CLAIM SHIP HIT OFF IRISH COAST

IT is reported by the German wireless (says the Press Association) that the British refrigerator ship Duquesa, of over 8,600 tons, has been torpedoed by a U-boat off the Irish coast.

The Duquesa, the announcer added, was carrying a cargo of frozen meat to England.

WELSH FREIGHTER CRIPPLES U-BOAT

FROM PRESS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

GIBRALTAR, Monday.

How the Welsh cargo steamer Sarastone, though handicapped by boiler trouble, fought an engagement with a U-boat and left the submarine with smoke and yellow fumes pouring from her, has been described to me here.

The Sarastone, which is registered at Llanelly, and is skippered by John Herbert, of Swansea, was in an Atlantic convoy when acute boiler trouble reduced her speed to two knots. The convoy went on and Captain Herbert decided to make for Lisbon. Two days later, on the afternoon of December 22, a submarine was seen surfacing three miles away. Captain Herbert held the fire of his 12-pounder gun and continued steaming.

The submarine apparently could not see that the vessel was moving and approached from astern. A duel followed until the Sarastone's shell hit the submarine aft, and the crew of the Welsh freighter saw clouds of smoke and yellow fumes coming from her.

Undamaged by the U-boat's fire, the Sarastone steamed on.

IRISH-AMERICANS PROTEST

American supporters of Eire neutrality, representing 200 Irish organisations, have telegraphed to the German Embassy protesting against the killing of Irish people, says an Associated Press message.

NORTH AND AIR RAIDS

EMERGENCY PLANS

The Northern Ireland Minister of Public Security (the Right Hon. J. C. MacDermott, K.C.) presided at a conference at the Law Courts, Belfast, yesterday, to consider plans for dealing with the consequences of a heavy air raid on Northern Ireland. Others present included the Lord Mayor of Belfast (Sir Crawford McCullagh, Bart.) and representatives of the following:—Ministry of Public Security, Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Labour, Ministry of Information, Ministry of Food, Belfast Corporation, Belfast Civil Defence authority, Belfast Education authority, Royal Ulster Constabulary, Military authorities, Post Office, British Broadcasting Corporation, Belfast Water Commissioners, L M S (N.C.C.) Railway Company, Great Northern Railway Company, Belfast and County Down Railway Company, Northern Ireland Road Transport Board, the Assistance Board, and the Belfast Union Commissioners.

The Minister referred to the conditions that had to be dealt with after heavy air raids on London and provincial towns.

Among matters to which attention was directed in the discussion were the maintenance of public utility services, ordered evacuation, shelter and food for those rendered homeless, health precautions, "first-aid" repairs to houses, emergency information, and advice to the civil population, salvage, etc.

It was agreed that the authorities and organisations should work out detailed arrangements, which, if a serious emergency should arise, could be put into operation in the shortest possible time.

KILLED BY RAIDERS

ESCORTS TO EVACUEE CHILDREN

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

MELBOURNE, Monday.

The Australian Navy authorities announce that seven Europeans and one Filipino are known to have been killed aboard the vessels sunk by raiders in Southern waters.

Sixty-seven Europeans are missing, believed prisoners, and four Filipinos are believed killed.

Europeans who lost their lives include Miss D. Beaston, Miss F. H. Jones, Miss I. Scott, Mrs. E. Davies and Mr. J. Y. Dixon. They had all served as escorts to evacuee children and were returning to Britain.

Four hundred and ninety-six men, women and children were landed at Emirau Island in the Pacific after their vessel had been sunk by German raiders. They were later rescued by units of the Royal Australian Navy.

RENEWED ATTACK ON BREST

The attack on Brest was renewed by Blenheims of the Coastal Command in another twilight raid on Sunday, when the docks were again battered with many sticks of bombs, states the British Air Ministry News Service.

The raid was carried out in spite of great difficulties. The weather was bad, and icing conditions were met on the journey over the sea.

German fighters were circling over Brest when the Blenheims arrived, but they could not stop the attack. The Blenheims drove them off and then did their bombing. Many hits were scored on the docks. One aircraft was attacked by a Messerschmitt 109, but the rear gunner waited until the range closed to 100 yards. Then he fired a pan of ammunition into the German fighter, which turned over and plunged down with smoke coming from its engine.

The ground defences put up an immense barrage. A Blenheim was rocketed and almost turned over by the blast from an A.-A. shell bursting directly underneath it, but all British aircraft returned safely.

AMY JOHNSON DROWNED

'PLANE FALLS IN THAMES

MISS AMY JOHNSON, the famous British airwoman, was drowned on last Sunday afternoon, when the aircraft which she was flying crashed into the Thames Estuary. She was flying on duty as a member of the British Air Transport Auxiliary, an organisation which ferries aircraft from factories to R.A.F. stations; several other women are members of the A.T.A., and Miss Johnson's special duty was flying a "taxi" aircraft to pick up pilots of the organisation after they had completed their scheduled trips.

Drew Middleton, the Associated Press Correspondent in London, who witnessed the accident, said that there was no possibility that Miss Johnson could have survived. "I watched the 'plane glide down into the water and sink before help could reach it," he said. "A seaman from a balloon ship dived into the water to try and save the one person who could be seen in the aircraft; he clutched the survivor by the collar, but the waves parted them again and a speedboat had to pick up the seaman, who is now critically ill.

"The incident occurred in mid-afternoon when the ship on which I was a passenger was nearing the Thames Estuary. The lookout shouted 'Aircraft off the port.' The aircraft was flying at about 750 feet, but I could not hear the engine. It started to climb; suddenly it turned and glided downwards about two miles away from us. Something white fluttered out and dropped into the sea. It might have been a parachute. If it was, it was a desperate jump, for the 'plane was less than 200 feet above the water. As the machine struck the water it hit a wave and nosed over.

"As we neared the spot I thought I saw someone clinging to the fuselage. The lookout said: 'No, its just part of the machine.'

RESCUE ATTEMPTS

"Two boats put out. They pulled slowly through the heavy seas towards the wreckage. A small ship followed them over the shallows to the scene. As the lifeboats neared the wreckage a figure jumped from one into the water. He clutched at another figure near and gestured towards the lifeboat, but the heavy swell rushed them past the two struggling figures.

"The lifeboats turned with agonising slowness. They pulled back towards the two figures, but suddenly there was only one man in the water, and he, receiving a terrific buffeting from the icy waves, was sinking fast. A ship came up and two men dived in to save him"

The wrecked aircraft was located later, and the machine's authorisation papers and some gear bearing Miss Johnson's name also was picked up, but Miss Johnson's body has not been found. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnson, of Bridilngton, received the news that she was missing yesterday. She was their eldest daughter, and was born at Hull thirty-seven years ago. Last October she joined the British Air Transport Auxiliary, and was one of the only two women in England to fly a twin-engined R.A.F. reconnaissance bomber. Her former husband, Mr. J. A. Mollison, also is a member of the organisation, and a few days ago they were seen shopping together in a Home Counties town.

A BRILLIANT PILOT

BY OUR AIR CORRESPONDENT.

The news of Miss Amy Johnson's death will be regretted by airmen throughout the world; she was a remarkable woman, and first won fame for herself—and British light aircraft—in 1930, when she made a record-breaking solo flight from England to Australia.

She was educated at Sheffield University, but decided to make flying her career, and, while working in London, took flying lessons, qualifying as a pilot in 1929. Miss Johnson did not consider a pilot's certificate enough, and obtained a ground engineer's licence in the same year. Although she had had 100 hours' experience of solo flying by April, 1930, she had virtually no experience of long-distance flying or navigation over unfamiliar districts—her longest flight up to that time was one of 140 miles from London to Yorkshire. Nevertheless, she declared her intention of flying alone to Australia; disregarding all attempts to dissuade her from what was regarded as a foolhardy venture, she took off from London and reached India in six days—two days less that the record held by the late Bert Hinkler. At Rangoon, however, her machine was damaged and all hope of beating Hinkler's time to Australia (15½ days) was gone. She pushed on, however, and experienced extremely bad weather on the last stages of the flight to Port Darwin, which she reached 19½ days after leaving London. She received congratulations from all over the world, and was appointed a Commander of the Order of the British Empire.

TO TOKIO

Seven months later she set off on a flight to Peking, *via* Siberia, but made a forced landing near Warsaw. She immediately prepared to set off again, this time with a fellow-member of the London Aeroplane Club—Mr. C. S. Humphreys. They covered the 1,650 miles from London to Moscow in one day, thus establishing a new record. The flight to Tokio was completed in ten days. Several forced landings were made on the return journey, which took 17 days.

In July, 1932, she was married to Mr. James A. Mollison, who was then preparing to fly the Atlantic alone in the monoplane, "Heart's Content." In the following month she came to Ireland with him and assisted in his preparations; on the morning of the take-off she was present on Portmarnock Strand, County Dublin, and watched the little silver monoplane disappear towards the west. On her return to England she made plans for a flight to Cape Town; her accomplishment of this flight in 4 days, 7 hours, 4 mins. (cutting 10 hours, 18 mins. off the record then held by Mr. Mollison) was a remarkable feat of endurance, for she had only five hours sleep on the journey. The return flight, made in less than 3½ days, clipped six days off the existing record held by Captain C. D. Barnard and the Duchess of Bedford.

Strangely enough, the Duchess of Bedford

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BRITISH ADVANCE ON TOBRUK

Pressing Hard on the Italian Forces

OVER 30,000 PRISONERS TAKEN AT BARDIA

Huge Spoil of Tanks, Guns and Stores

THE attack on Bardia is being followed up before the Italian army has time to recover from its reverses, and British troops are now concentrating on Tobruk, sixty miles away, writes a Press Association Military Correspondent.

"While there is no official information in London that an attack on Tobruk is imminent, it will not be surprising if that is the intention of General Wavell. Moreover, General Graziani must be gravely concerned as to the fate of his army in Libya, as there is practically no hope of carrying out such evacuation as was accomplished at Dunkirk.

"On Sunday and the previous night the R.A.F. delivered massed attacks on Tobruk, and it is conceivable that if circumstances were favourable the fleet would again join with the air and land forces.

"Tobruk is a more important port than Bardia, and is the only port easily accessible to large vessels between Tunisia and Alexandria.

"At Bardia casualties among the Australian troops numbered only about four hundred. So far, in the Western Desert campaign, over 63,000 Italians have surrendered, and, with casualties, it is safe to assume that General Graziani has lost one-third of his Libyan Army. British casualties in the first battle of the Western Desert—that of Sidi Barrani—were only 72 killed and 738 wounded."

"Marshal Graziani knew perfectly well that Bardia could not be looked upon as a link in the final Italian line of resistance," states the "Voelkischer Beobachter." "General Bergonzoli and his men were entrusted with the same task as the Italian units which defended the Sidi Barrani road—namely, of covering the retreat of the main body of the army and giving them sufficient time to organise the next line of resistance."

King Farouk has congratulated General Wavell, through the Egyptian Defence Minister, on the Bardia victory. Hussein Sirry Pasha, the Prime Minister, has also congratulated General Wavell.

The following communiqué was issued to-day from G.H.Q., Cairo:—"Libya.—While clearance of the battlefield at Bardia is progressing, advanced elements of our forces are now approaching the Tobruk area. Prisoners counted at Bardia number over 30,000, with quantities of tanks, guns, equipment and stores of all sorts.

"Patrolling activity continues on the frontiers of Sudan and Kenya."

11 'PLANES DOWN

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

CAIRO, Monday.

The Middle East *communiqué*, issued from R.A.F. Heaquarters, stated:—"With increased enemy air activity over Eastern Libya yesterday (Sunday) fighter aircraft of the R.A.F. were engaged in several combats. As a result eleven enemy aircraft were destroyed, while a number of others were badly damaged. Bombing activity throughout Sunday and the previous night was concentrated on Tobruk. Numerous raids were made during which many tons of bombs were dropped on military buildings, aerodromes, naval barracks, and the town's defences. One very large fire was started and was visible from Bardia, a distance of about 60 miles. Subsequent aircraft dropped their bombs into the centre of this fire considerably increasing its area.

"In Italian East Africa a raid was carried out on the naval base at Massawa and bombs fell in the target area. From all operations, including numerous reconnaissance flights, our aircraft returned safely."

ITALIAN CLAIMS

To-day's Italian High Command *communiqué* admits that British naval units have shelled the Somaliland coast and declares that British bombing operations on Italian bases did not cause any damage. The *communiqué* stated: "In East Africa enemy naval units shelled the coast of Somaliland. Italian aeroplanes which intervened immediately bombed two enemy cruisers and one auxiliary ship. Enemy aeroplanes attacked Italian bases in Eritrea and Somaliland, but caused no damage. One of the enemy 'planes was shot down."

FROM PRESS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT AT BRITISH G.H.Q.

WESTERN DESERT, Monday.

With Bardia cleaned up the Italian front line now is Tobruk, Marshal Graziani's big naval and air base nearly 100 miles inside Libya. Between Bardia and Tobruk there are virtually no Italian troops. British patrols cover the whole of the intervening country. Tobruk's defences consist of two perimeters—Bardia had only one—the outside perimeter is about 25 miles in circumference and the inside one about 11 miles. Whatever the future course of events in Libya, it is certain that Marshal Graziani is in a very serious position. Quite apart from the number of men taken prisoner he has lost something like half the guns, lorries, ammunition and other material available for his Army in Libya.

PRESS ASSOCIATION.

LONDON, Monday.

The Italians early to-day, in an English broadcast, described the British victory at Bardia as a "fiasco."

R.A.F.'S PART IN LIBYA

The British Air Ministry News Service states:—

"The following operations were carried out under the command of Air Chief Marshal Sir Arthur Longmore from December 22 to January 5. During the night of December 21-22 the aerodromes of Berka and Benina were attacked. The hangars were fired and one was burnt out. Enemy aircraft on the ground were machine-gunned from 500 feet. The harbour of Tobruk was bombed. On December 23 offensive patrols were flown over Bardia, during the course of which four enemy aircraft were shot down. During the night attacks were made on the aerodromes at Castel Benito and Tripoli. The jetty, the seaplane hangars, the power station and other military targets in that town also received many direct hits, and nine explosions occurred in the power station.

"On Christmas Eve the Tmimi and Gazala aerodromes were bombed. A force of Italian bombers attacked Sollum, with little effect. On Boxing Day fighters of the Royal Australian Air Force shot down two enemy aircraft in the course of their patrols. Sollum was again attacked by the enemy, but the damage caused was slight. On December 27 R.A.F. patrols were active all day, and encountered a formation of enemy bombers, escorted by fighters. Four of the enemy were shot down. Tobruk was again bombed.

"On the last day of 1940 Italian troops and motor transport in and to the west of Bardia were repeatedly bombed. One enemy aircraft was seen burning on the ground near Gambut. That night Tmimi, Gazala, and Derna aerodromes were attacked, aircraft being destroyed on the ground and others damaged. Bardia was also bombed.

VESSELS FIRED

"At the opening of the new year the harbour of Tripoli was twice bombed, the customs jetty and one ship along the side receiving direct hits, and the seaplane hangars and two large motor vessels being set on fire. From dawn to dusk on January 2 large fires were started among stores and buildings in Bardia.

"During these operations thirty enemy aircraft are known to have been destroyed in the air, and a minimum of eight on the ground. Our losses were two aircraft.

"Throughout January 3 and that night the aerodromes at Tobruk, Gazala, El Gubbi, Mimi, Martuba, Bomba and Derna were attacked without respite. Very large fires and explosions were caused. On January 5 bombing operations were concentrated on Tobruk. Eleven enemy aircraft were destroyed in combat. By 1.30 p.m. on that day Bardia had surrendered."

TWELVE GENERALS CAPTURED

An Associated Press message from the Western Desert dated Monday states:—

"With the rounded-up prisoners in the Bardia region now totalling more than 30,000, the Australian troops pursued the final clean-up. The capture of six generals, including General Bergonzoli, the Commandant at Bardia, brought to twelve the total of Italian Generals captured by the British. Five were taken in the last Egyptian desert campaign and one in a raid into Libya last summer."

TRIPOLI AGAIN BOMBED

Middle East R.A.F. Headquarters, Monday: "Tripoli was heavily raided by bomber aircraft of the R.A.F. during the night of January 4-5. Several tons of bombs were dropped on the target, which included the power station, Customs buildings, five wharves, and shipping in the harbour.

"Large fires were started near the power station and among the Customs buildings. They wer clearly visible thirty miles out to sea, and continued burning fiercely throughout the attack. Incendiary and high explosive bombs burst on an oil storage plant; other bombs straddled merchant vessels and naval units in the harbour. All our aircraft returned safely."

WHAT GENERAL WAVELL EXPECTS

General Sir Archibald Wavell, Commander-in-Chief of the British Army in the Nile, replying to a new year message from General Sikorski, Polish Premier and Commander-in-Chief, said:—"I am expecting with undaunted faith the victorious conclusion of our joint struggle."

General Sikorski had referred in his message to the Polish Mountain Brigade, which was fighting under Sir Archibald's orders, and in reply the British General says:—"I am proud of the fact that the Polish Mountain Brigade is under my command."

"Your daring manœuvres and lightning speed of action," wrote General Sikorski, "have brought you excellent results, thus giving a most satisfactory testimonial to your great leadership and valour of the British Army. The liberation of Egypt and the transfer of the war upon enemy territory are, indeed, great achievements of the British Army. I beg to convey to you my heartiest congratulations."

SOME ASPECTS OF HOUSING

Site, Structure and Planning

MR. R. N. HOGAN ON DUBLIN SCHEMES

"SOME aspects of Housing in Ireland" was the title of a paper read by Mr. R. N. Hogan, B.E., at the meeting of the Institution of Civil Engineers of Ireland in the Engineers' Hall, Dublin, last night. Professor R. M. Walsh was in the chair.

Mr. Hogan, in the course of his paper, said that during the period from the passing of the Housing Act in 1932 to the 1st of January, 1940, some 56,000 houses had been erected in the twenty-six counties of Ireland. Of that number, about 40,000 had been erected by local authorities, and 16,000 by private enterprise. This represented the most intense building activity ever witnessed in this country.

FINANCE

On the factor of finance in considering the housing question, with a view to guidance as to future policy, Mr. Hogan said that the working class house must be cheapened to the limit in order to keep rents and rates low, and frequently the technically correct method of construction must be discarded in favour of one more expedient. Choice of materials was limited to those of home manufacture, and this considerably restricted freedom of design. Finally, one was also controlled by the standard of culture and civic responsibility of those to be rehoused. "This," he said, "in some instances, is not what it should be, and frequently attempts to obtain a higher standard in the house and its surroundings are rendered abortive by the non-co-operation or the destructive propensities of the occupants. These points show that the problems of housing are not solved merely by the logical application of scientific principles. The subject, in its broad form, is a combination of science, art, and sociology, and it is this complex combination that renders its treatment so difficult."

STRUCTURAL DESIGN

Mr. Hogan went on to discuss problems that arose in "our own housing practice." Dealing with structural design, he gave much consideration to concrete in walls, and said that the question of external plastering was part of our housing practice that required to be carefully re-examined, as an improvement in reliability was clearly required. The comfort of a dwelling was vitally affected by the degree of thermal insulation afforded by the external walls, floor, and roof. The degree of thermal insulation afforded by various building materials lately had come into prominence, and had been the subject of considerable research. No research, to his knowledge, had been carried out in Ireland. He reviewed data ascertained in other countries, but said that standards for this country should be regulated to suit its climate. Concrete, as usually produced, was far from being an ideal material for use in external walls in our climate. Its extensive use had resulted mainly from economic causes. It could not be over-stressed that careful design and manufacture were essential if concrete was to prove a satisfactory building material.

SITE-PLANNING

Having considered the questions of house-planning and site aspects, he said that in a journey through this country one frequently saw instances of the ignorance of the most elementary principles of competent site-planning. He reviewed some of the general principles, "in the hope that they may be more generally observed." Road bays, he said, were seldom introduced into a lay-out in this country, though they greatly improved the appearance of a scheme. Good site-planning was of profound importance. Without it there could be no good housing, nor could they hope to have satisfactory towns; for it was the basis of all town-planning.

Treating of town-planning in relation to housing, Mr. Hogan said that in Dublin at present there was considerable difference of opinion as to whether flat or cottage development was the more suitable, and whether the development of outlying virgin sites had, on balance, an advantage over re-development of slum areas at a considerably higher cost. These matters, he said, would have been settled beyond controversy had a planning expert been employed to carry out a comprehensive survey, and formulate a programme, before commencing the recent housing campaign.

AIM OF TOWN-PLANNING

Aristotle had described a city as "a place where men live a common life for a noble end." Analysing this "common life," it would be seen to fall into three divisions—work, rest, and recreation. It was the same for the life of the individual citizen: his existence revolved round his work, his home and his leisure. The aim of town-planning was so to organise the city that a proper relationship was maintained between these focal points of the citizen's daily life, and he was enabled to carry on his essential activities with economy and convenience. Applying this proposition to the two methods of re-housing followed in Dublin, it would be seen that each failed to provide adequate relationship between the three vital activities of the inhabitants.

The apparent shortcomings of the present re-housing policy naturally focussed attention on the only alternative to it—large-scale decentralisation. It was suggested that such a policy was impracticable. There was no doubt that unless adequate employment were provided for the re-located persons, no form of decentralisation would prove successful. The solution of the Dublin housing problem, partly by the creation of satellites, was a constructive policy, which offered much greater promise of success than the policy of expediency which was followed at present.

IRAQ TO STAND BY BRITAIN

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

BAGHDAD, Monday.

A warning against efforts to turn Iraq aside from her "traditional policy of friendship with our ally Great Britain" was given by Jamil al Mifdai, a former Prime Minister, in the Senate to-day. "On this policy our country's independence and integrity are based," he said, adding that the Cabinet was united on the subject. Reports that Great Britain had asked Iraq to undertake commitments over and above those provided for in the Anglo-Iraq Treaty were untrue, he said.

CRUISKEEN LAWN

Ḃíoṡ lá ag móṫaraċt le cara (cara!) agus ḃí an duine-uasal ċom ṡáiṫte 'sa ċainnt aḃí sé ag sceallaḋ liom naċ raiḃ aon aird ná aire aige ar an mbóṫar. Sé rud a ṫarla fá ḋeireaḋ ná gur ṫág an móṫor ṡód an ḃealaiġṫóir, ċar timpeall 'san aer agus ḋfág mise agus an tiománaiḋe ar an gclaiḋe—slán aċ salaċ.

Nuair ḃí faill earcanaiḋe agus urlaḃra agam, ḋúḃairt leis naċ raiḃ aon ṁeas agam air mar tiománaiḋe.

"Ní aontuiġim leat," ar seisean. "Féaċ an sean-ḟocal—Sé an tiománaiḋe is fearr an fear ar an gclaiḋe."

Tá go leór com-scéalta eile agam, go ḃfóiriḋ Dia orainn go léir.

Rainnín.

Gárḋa ag ite
A ḃreicfeart 'san oiḋċe
Ní faca;
Aċ iomḋa na lóin
A ċonnac um nóin
Ag Taca.

An Oifig s'againne.

Luċt sriúṫa an páipéir i gcomairle le céile i dtaoḃ cúrsaí eagarṫóireaċta. Ar ḋeis, Myles na gCopaleen le'na Ċrúiscín Lán; ar clé, an teagarṫóir, agus, i lár, "Anoircaḋ" le'na píopa soirid donn.

An Droċ-Ṡaoġal.

"Ar scáṫaiḃ a ċéile seaḋ ṁairid na daoine," mar deir an sean-ḟocal.

Maiṫ go leór.

"A Ṁáire, tá ocras orm."

"Ní tráṫaṁail duit do ċuid ocrais, a Ṗeadair. Níl aon ní 'sa teaċ againn."

"Sa teaċ?"

"Sa tiġ."

"Ó. Naċ ḃfuil práta féin?"

"Níl, ná croiceann práta."

"Ḃlúire aráin?"

"Ah-ah."

"Deoċ uisce féin?"

"Níl."

(*SOS.* Cluintear ceól síḋe.)

"Ḃfuil iarán agat?"

"Tá."

"Agus coinneal?"

"Tá."

"Maiṫ go leór. Lár an coinneal."

(*SOS* Lasann Máire an coinneal.)

"Cuir tall ar an mbord é, a Ṁáire."

"Cuirfead, a Ṗeadair."

"Anois, a Ṁáire, seas eadraim-se agus an solus."

"Seasfad."

"Dog anonn rud beag eile má's é do toil é. Níl an scáṫ fada go leór agus tá an-ocras orm. Á, maiṫ an cailín. Tá sé sin go sásta. Fán mar atáoi. Slug, slug, slug, slug."

(Iṫeann sé an scáṫ.)

Ḃrat Anuas.

Muintir na Caṫraċ.

Tá an cumann so anois fá lán-tseol. Tá-clár-oibre le h-agaiḋ na bliana curṫa le céile ag an gCoiste Gnóṫa. Cuirfear Urban Week-end ar siuḃal gaċ seaċtain as seo amaċ. An té atá críonna, cuirfiḋ sé a ċuid airgid insna monarcain uisce-beaṫa.

Beiḋ a tuilleaḋ le ráḋ agam ar an aḋḃar so go luaṫ, ní naċ iongnaḋ insa saoġal atá ann.

MYLES NA GCOPALEEN.

"BARDIA THE BEST YET"

THERE WILL BE BETTER—MR. DUFF COOPER

Mr. Duff Cooper, Minister of Information, in a broadcast last night on the Bardia victory, described it as, perhaps, the best news that the war has yet brought to Britain, but not the best that it will bring.

"General Wavell's great victory in the Libyan Desert," he said, "will rank for ever high among British military achievements. It was a master stroke. The results of it are so astounding that we are in danger of mistakenly believing that it was easily done.

"A strong defensive position held by 32,000 troops, supported by powerful artillery and modern tanks, has been attacked and captured completely after an operation which has lasted only three days, and so far as our information goes at present, at a cost of only a few hundred casualties.

"Within a month we have captured nearly 70,000 of the enemy, together with vast supplies of valuable equipment. The capture of Bardia has been even more spectacular than was the capture of Sollum three weeks ago. These are victories of the first order, and we have a right to be cheerful to-night, and if there were not reasons against it, of which you are well aware, we might be ringing our bells.

"It is wrong to insult a defeated enemy, and it is inglorious for civilians to question the courage of those who have passed through the ordeal of battle. Unlike the German, the Italian soldier had not even the defeat of the last war to avenge. He was victorious in the last war, with the assistance of his allies, and gained vast territories as the result of it. In the twenty years' interval he had attacked other nations, but had not been attacked by them. He had made no claims to which satisfaction had been refused. He was living in peace and hoping for prosperity, when, for no other reason except the ambition of his ruler, he was suddenly precipitated into war.

"The people of Italy never wanted to invade Albania; they never wanted to invade Greece; still less did they ever want to invade Egypt. There is plenty of room for the Italian colonists in the wide and empty spaces of Northern Africa. Therefore, the Italian people feel that they are fighting for a bad cause—in fact, no cause at all.

"Cromwell said that the best soldier was he who knew what he was fighting for, and loved what he knew. If therefore, in this war the Italians are very far from being the best soldiers it is because they do not know what they are fighting for, and they hate what they do not know.

"But all their weakness is insufficient to account for the completeness and the perfection of this victory."

GATE THEATRE

"Snapdragon," now in its third week at the Gate Theatre, continues to provide Dublin with wholly enjoyable, even brilliant, evenings of entertainment. Designed and produced by Hilton Edwards as "A Christmas Party," it caters for many tastes. There are a couple of miracle plays, two delightfully satirical sketches by Micheal MacLiammoir, a mystery play by Elmer Rice and A. P. Herbert's exceedingly clever burlesque, "Two Gentlemen of Soho." Then there is "Turkey and Bones and Eating, and We Liked It," a very strange little play by Gertrude Stein, and "Princely Fortune," a translation of an old Chinese play, which gave Micheal MacLiammoir and Meriel Moore their opportunity of the evening. The miracle plays, together with carols by an excellent quartette, give a seasonable flavour to the programme. There are, as well, songs with harp by Christopher Casson and various other items, which complete three hours of admirable entertainment.

CALL FOR MORE AND MORE WHEAT

Chief Inspector's Radio Talk

PROBLEMS OF SEEDS AND MANURES

THE first of the series of weekly radio lectures on agricultural matters promised by Dr. Ryan, the Minister, in his address last week, was given last night by Mr. T. O'Connell, Chief Inspector of the Department. In this he dealt mainly with wheat production.

People of this country, said Mr. O'Connell, do not take to bread made from oaten or rye meal as do people of other countries. They are heavy consumers of wheaten bread, and, in fact, demand a whiter flour than is used elsewhere. This results in the outer layers of the wheat grain becoming the bran and pollard which constitute milling offals, and thus important ingredients which are particularly valuable in the diet of growing children are consumed by farm animals.

Circumstances may induce our people to accept a substitute for wheaten bread, but normally wheat to produce the total bread requirements has become a virtual necessity. For this reason he proposed to confine his talk altogether to wheat. Other crops would be dealt with later by other speakers.

HOME-GROWN 40 PER CENT.

For the current cereal year ending on September 1st, home grown wheat was available to provide about 40 per cent. of our flour requirements at normal extraction, apart from grain used as seed and directly for whole meal manufacture by growers. The total is equivalent to about five months' supply, which compared with less than two weeks' supply a few years ago, represents no mean performance on the part of our farmers. The deficit is equivalent to the produce of some 350,000 acres, and it is in the confident hope that the 1941 wheat crop will go a long way to meet this deficit. The price of 40s. has been offered for every barrel that can be produced.

Any doubts regarding the suitability of our soil and climate for the growing of wheat have been dispelled by the experience of the past five years. The crop has been grown successfully in every county from Cork to Donegal, but the figures show that the tillage counties have contributed by far the largest area. This does not mean that there is no further room for expansion.

FERTILITY

Much of the land has been in pasture for generations, and has accumulated a vast store of fertility. Similar land ploughed from lea during recent years has yielded excellent crops of wheat not only in the first season, but usually better crops in the second, while in some cases a satisfactory third crop has been taken with the aid of artificials before the introduction of a manured green crop.

At the other end of the scale are the lighter soils in the less fertile tillage counties—the soils which the old farming textbooks and doctrinaire opponents of wheat-growing who still derive wisdom therefrom would describe as suited only to oat-growing—the soils, for example, on which shrewd County Cork farmers grew 59,880 acres of wheat last season, and on which their similarly "misguided" brethren in County Leix grew 22,600 acres. On these soils the regular rotation includes a manured root crop introduced between two grain crops, and no farmer in these areas now doubts the capacity of his land to produce wheat as one of these grain crops, preferably following manured roots or potatoes.

It would be useless to expect wheat-growing on any considerable scale in the poorer portions of the counties comprised in the congested districts, but even in these areas there are favoured localities where plots of wheat may be grown for home use as wholemeal.

EARLY SOWING

At the present time one can see in many parts of the country early wheat crops sown in October and November, and now forming splendid braírds. These crops will naturally ripen earlier than crops of winter varieties sown from now onwards, but this need not deter new growers. Early sowing is desirable, and represents a job already done, but winter wheat may be sown in this country with perfect confidence up to the middle of February, and even to the end of that month.

On the question of winter varieties, it is difficult, for general cultivation, to improve on Queen Wilhelmina. This or one of its variants, such as White Stand Up, Julianna, Victor, etc., occupied the largest proportion of our wheat area in recent years, and they have given general satisfaction. On the richer soils, and particularly after the old lea, where lodging is liable to occur, the more recently introduced variety—Pajbjerg—should be used.

HOMEGROWN SEED

All of these varieties were grown here during the past season, and many farmers have reserved seed partly for their own use and partly for sale. Many seed merchants have also assembled stocks which have been thoroughly cleaned. These are, in every respect, equal to the best imported stocks of similar varieties, and considerably cheaper. All home-grown seed is, in fact, of excellent quality this season, and failure to sow winter wheat will certainly not be due to shortage of seed.

Except in a limited number of districts, spring varieties are not greatly favoured, nor are they, as a whole, nearly as dependable as winter types. They are generally more adapted to light land, but growers elsewhere who cannot sow winter wheat in time need not hesitate to substitute the spring variety best suited to their particular conditions. The spring varieties usually grown here include Red Marvel, April Red, and, in latter years, two Swedish varieties—Diamant and Atle.

A wheat recently introduced is worthy of mention, inasmuch as it is the nearest thing to a winter-spring variety. This is the French variety, "Desprez," which can be sown from October to March, which ripens early, yields well, and stands, even on the most fertile soils. This, however, is susceptible to Yellow Rust.

DRESSINGS

On the good tillage lands, wheat grown after a crop treated with farmyard manure can do without artificials, but a second crop will benefit greatly from a few cwt. of phosphatic manure and two ½ cwt. dressings of sulphate of ammonia, applied about mid-March and early May respectively. On very light tillage soils similar treatment is desirable, even after a manured crop, but in the absence of other manures two light dressings of sulphate of ammonia at the intervals already mentioned might be given. The use of nitrogenous manure must not be overdone, particularly in the absence of phosphates and potash. Nitrogen applied too early in the season favours mainly the growth of straw, and late dressings the more desirable development of grain.

The position regarding the supply of artificials has been explained on more than one occasion recently, but it may be restated. Briefly, it is that potash manures, which normally come from the Continent, cannot now be imported. They can be replaced for mangels and sugar beet by agricultural salt, and for all crops by seaweed where this can be procured. Certain potash reserves which the fertiliser manufacturers fortunately held will be incorporated in compound manures suited for tillage crops, and particularly potatoes. For other farm crops, not even excepting potatoes, where farmyard manure is available, the absence of potash manures for a year or two can be borne without serious results.

A large proportion of our requirements of sulphate of ammonia is already in the country, and it is anticipated that current demands will be met as the season advances.

Reasonable supplies of artificial manure should also be available for other tillage crops, if farmers will reserve for these crops such supplies of superphosphate and compound manures as they can procure, and refrain from using them on grass land, and for lea oats on land in good heart.

FOR ALLOTMENTS OF UNEMPLOYED

There is one purpose for which the Department has deemed it imperative to secure an adequate supply of artificial manure—namely, for the allotments provided for unemployed persons under the 1926 and 1934 Acts. This has been made possible through the courtesy of the Irish Fertiliser Manufacturers' Association, and no unemployed plotholder need fear that he will not get the necessary quantity of a suitable compound free of charge.

Mr. O'Connell concluded by remarking—There are some people—comparatively few—who, entirely unappreciative of the farmers' difficulties usually describe him as the nation's spoiled darling. They perform for the farmer that mechanical operation known as "getting his back up." They are the people who deserve a bread ration. They can help to stave it off by going into retirement for the "duration"—and afterwards.

AMY JOHNSON

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(like Miss Johnson) subsequently lost her life when her 'plane crashed into the sea while on a short flight in 1937.

TO AFRICA

After her return from Africa—creating a third record by completing the round trip in 7 days 7 hours 5 minutes—Miss Johnson was awarded the Segrave Trophy, the premier British award for speed. Her restless spirit was not satisfied with these conquests, and, with her husband, she planned a non-stop flight from London to New York, to be followed by a flight from New York back across the Atlantic to Baghdad. At the first attempt to take off in their aircraft, "Seafarer," the undercarriage and wings were damaged. After repairs had been effected they set off from Pendine Sands in July, 1933. They were reported over Newfoundland 29 hours later. When less than 60 miles from New York—at Bridgeport, Connecticut—they crashed in attempting to make a landing in the dark, and Mr. Mollison was injured. This was the first Atlantic flight by a husband and wife. Miss Johnson was the first Englishwoman to fly the Atlantic, the first woman to fly it from east to west, and the first to fly it as co-pilot.

Another aircraft, "Seafarer II.," was sent out to them, but it was damaged when they attempted to take off from Wasaga Beach, Canada, and they abandoned the return flight.

MELBOURNE AIR RACE

Miss Johnson then studied commercial flying in the United States until she became ill and had to undergo two operations. When she returned to England in February, 1934, she announced that she was "through" with stunt flights. Despite this, however, she and her husband entered the Melbourne Air Race, and made a brilliant showing by reaching Baghdad in just over twelve hours. Engine trouble forced them to retire from the race at Allahabad. In 1938 she was flying solo again, and broke records established by Flight-Lieutenant Tommy Rose for a flight to Capetown and back. Flying a Percival "Gull" monoplane, she reached Capetown in 3 days 6 hours 26 minutes. The homeward flight was made in 4 days 16 hours 17 minutes. Miss Johnson also was engaged in regular air transport flying for a time.

Her marriage with Mr. Mollison was dissolved in 1938, and she resumed the use of her maiden name.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

CHURCH MUSIC

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—I have read with interest the article by a Roman Catholic Correspondent, which you publish in to-day's *Irish Times.* Though he does not refer directly to my letter which appeared in your issue of January 3rd, I think I can detect oblique references here and there. Perhaps, therefore, you will allow me to write a little more on this subject of Catholic Liturgy.

I am very glad your correspondent has quoted at some length the *Motu Proprio* of Pius X., and I only hope that after thirty-eight years some effort will be made, in this diocese at any rate, to put into practice the regulations contained in the pronouncement. Has anything ever been done here in connection with the setting up of a commission to consider the best means of carrying out the Holy Father's wishes? I doubt it, judging by what one still hears in many of the Dublin churches. It is perfectly clear from the *Motu Proprio* that the Pope intended that the laws and directions should be scrupulously observed by all, and that they should be binding under obedience. His closing words are: "Let no man, therefore, infringe this Constitution by us promulgated, nor dare to contravene it."

However, as I said in my previous letter, music is only part of the Liturgy. What should be done is to bring the whole of the Liturgy into line with the wishes of the Holy See. What about our high altars? If my knowledge of the Rubrics is correct, I should say that many of our altars contain major liturgical blunders. This is not the place to write at length on a subject of this kind, but I would suggest that every parish priest should procure a copy of an excellent little volume entitled "The Liturgical Altar," by Geoffrey Webb, which bears the imprimatur of the Archdiocese of Westminster. If what is written in this book were put into practice, our altars would be more liturgical, more dignified and austere as they should be, and less pretty and less like horticultural exhibits as they so often are.—Yours, etc.,

"BYRD LOVER."

January 6th, 1941.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Whilst congratulating "Byrd Lover" on his timely protest against the non-liturgical character of recent church music in Dublin, may I assure him that he need not altogether despair. Here in Cork, owing to the care and encouragement of our revered bishop, nothing but liturgical music is sung in the Cathedral. For instance, on Christmas Day the following music was sung at High Mass by our Cathedral Choir:—"*Ecce Sacerdos*" (Vittoria); Proper, Gregorian Chant: *Missa,* "*Qual Donna*" (Orlando di Lasso); Mediæval Nativity Carols. Similar liturgical music may be heard there any Sunday. As Dublin now has a new Archbishop, perhaps there may be a hope of better things, and the Palestrina Choir, founded by my friend Edward Martyn to preserve and glorify the music of the Church, may not continue to stray from its true purpose.—Yours, etc.,

JOHN J. HORGAN.

Lacaduv, Cork,
January 4th, 1941.

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—In your leader in to-day's *Irish Times* on A.R.P. and the help given on Friday morning by the different services, the service that should have had most praise was ignored, viz.: the St. John Ambulance Brigade. About twenty of these men turned out, some from remote parts of the city and others from the neighbourhood where the bomb was dropped, and it was owing to the skill of one of these men that the fireman who was gassed was so quickly restored. I hold no brief for these men, and, to my grief, I do not belong to the organisation and am now too old, but I do know how unstintingly they give of their services without asking for any reward; and one small word of praise given occasionally does help.—Yours, etc.,

"AN ADMIRER OF THE ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE."

Clontarf, January 4th, 1941.

BEER NOT TO BE RATIONED

There is to be no rationing of beer in Great Britain. The question has not been discussed by the brewers or by the Government departments, but it is possible that as a result of transport difficulties and evacuation there may be temporary shortages in some districts.

"The question of rationing has not been up for consideration yet," an official of the British Ministry of Food told a Press Association reporter. He added that the continuance of unrationed supplies would depend on the quantity of raw materials available.

BRITAIN'S NEW WAR MEASURES

Production To Be Speeded Up

PREMIER PLANS FOR POST-WAR EFFORT

THREE new British Executives to deal with production, imports and post-war reconstruction have been set up by the Prime Minister (Mr. Winston Churchill).

In the official announcement of the appointments, made last night from 10 Downing street, London, the hope is expressed that by the new arrangements "more rapid and decisive action will be achieved."

Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, is appointed Chairman of the Production Executive, which will replace the Production Council, and will allocate all available resources of raw materials, productive capacity and labour, and also will fix priorities.

Other members are—Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production; Mr. A. V. Alexander, First Lord of the Admiralty; Captain O. Lyttelton, President of the Board of Trade, and Sir Andrew Duncan, Minister of Supply.

The Import Executive, which will "animate and regulate the whole business of importation," are the Minister of Supply (Chairman), the Minister for Aircraft Production, the First Lord of the Admiralty, the President of the Board of Trade, and the Minister of Food (Lord Woolton).

Mr. Arthur Greenwood, Minister without portfolio, will study reconstruction and post-war problems, and later, "when the end can be more clearly foreseen," a Ministry will be formed for this purpose.

Meanwhile, Mr. Greenwood will lead a group of Ministers, whose object it will be to find practical solutions for the immediate problems of transition from war to peace.

The work of the Import and Production Executives and of the three existing Committees on Civil Defence, Home Policy and Food Policy will continue to be concerted and directed by a Committee on which the chairmen of all these bodies sit, under the chairmanship of the Lord President of the Council.

This Committee comprises Sir John Anderson, Lord President of the Council (Chairman); Mr. C. R. Attlee, Lord Privy Seal; the Minister without portfolio, Mr. Arthur Greenwood; the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Kingsley Wood; the Minister of Labour and National Service, Mr. Ernest Bevin; the Home Secretary, Mr. Herbert Morrison, and the Minister of Supply, Sir Andrew Duncan.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT

The official announcement said that the Prime Minister has made the following changes in the machinery of government for dealing with imports, production and post-war reconstruction policy:—

1. The Minister without portfolio has undertaken responsibility for the study of reconstruction and post-war problems. Later on, when the end of the war can be more clearly foreseen, a Ministry will be formed for this purpose. Meanwhile, Mr. Arthur Greenwood will be chairman of the group of Ministers. The object will be to find practical solutions for the immediate problems of a transition from war to peace, and also to outline, and presently to amplify, a policy for the years immediately following the war, which will command the support of the nation as a whole, and enable united action to proceed in peace as in war.

2. An Import Executive has been formed consisting of the five Ministers, who are the chief importers, whose duty it will be to animate and regulate the whole business of importation in accordance with the policy of the War Cabinet.

The following is the composition of the Import Executive:—The Minister of Supply (Chairman), the Minister for Aircraft Production, the First Lord of the Admiralty, the President of the Board of Trade, the Minister of Food, the Minister of Transport, the Minister of Shipping. The Merchant Shipbuilding and Repair Branch of the Admiralty and other ministries or departments concerned will render all necessary aid to the Import Executive in executing and implementing their decisions. The Minister of Agriculture will have ready access to the Import Executive. The President of the Board of Trade will represent the interests of the other lesser importing departments.

PRODUCTION COUNCIL REPLACED

3. A Production Executive has also been set up, consisting of the Minister of Labour and National Service (Chairman), the Minister for Aircraft Production, the First Lord of the Admiralty, the President of the Board of Trade, and the Minister of Supply. This Executive will give effect to the general policy of the War Cabinet, and its functions will include the allocation of available resources of raw materials, productive capacity and labour, together with the fixing of priorities where necessary. The Production Executive will replace the Production Council.

There has already existed for some time a committee of three Supply Ministers to regulate and concert purchases in North America. This committee, while continuing its separate work, is also, through its members, embodied in, and related to, the functions of the Import and Production Executives.

PRIME MINISTER'S RESPONSIBILITY

4. The Prime Minister assumes responsibility for ensuring that the work of both Executives corresponds with the general policy of the War Cabinet.

5. The work of the Import and Production Executives and of the three existing Committees on Civil Defence, Home Policy and Food Policy, will continue to be concerted and directed by a Committee, on which the Chairmen of all these bodies sit, under the chairmanship of the Lord President of the Council. This Committee is now constituted as follows:—The Lord President of the Council (Chairman), the Lord Privy Seal, the Minister without portfolio, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Minister of Labour and National Service, the Home Secretary, and the Minister of Supply.

The Lord President's Committee will advise the War Cabinet generally on the movement of business in the executives and committees, and on special questions remitted to it. It will also deal with the general issues of economic policy, formerly considered by the Economic Policy Committee, and the work of that committee about imports will be transferred to the import executive.

It is hoped that by these arrangements the very complicated affairs of government in war-time will be brought into a more simple and closely knit structure, leading to a reduction in the number of subsidiary committees and in the time spent in attendance upon them, and that more rapid and decisive action will be achieved, while preserving the constitutional responsibilities of Ministers to the Crown and Parliament.

SCHEME TO BE DEBATED IN COMMONS

Members of Parliament are to have an early opportunity of examining by question and answer the Prime Minister's reorganised machinery, writes the Press Association Lobby Correspondent. As soon as Parliament reassembles there is to be a full debate—possibly, in secret—on production, supply and man-power, all of which will be considerably affected by the changes. This will give the Prime Minister an opportunity, if he so desires, of explaining his plan of action to the House.

Coal Trade Dance.—The seventh annual Coal Trade Dance will be held in the Aberdeen Hall, Gresham Hotel, on to-morrow, when numerous spot prizes, novelties, and a new programme of dance music by the Gresham band (under the direction of Mr. Alex. Caulfield) all point to the function being a success. Dancing is from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m., and tickets may be procured from any coal merchant's office.

GOVERNMENT NOTICES

DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC HEALTH

LOCAL AUTHORITIES (COMBINED PURCHASING) ACT, 1925

SUPPLIES OF MOTOR SPIRIT AND PETROLEUM AND RADIO SETS TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Pursuant to Section 2 of the above-named Act the Minister for Local Government and Public Health invites Companies interested to state the prices at which they will supply any of the undermentioned commodities to local authorities during the twelve months beginning on the 1st day of April, 1941. The latest time such prices will be received will be 12 o'clock, Noon, on the 28th January, 1941.

Commodities to be supplied:—

Motor Spirit and Petroleum.
Radio Sets.

Replies to this invitation must be enclosed and sealed in the **OFFICIAL ENVELOPE** provided for the purpose, which may be obtained from the Office of the Department of Local Government and Public Health (**COMBINED PURCHASING SECTION**), 73 Merrion Square, South, Dublin.

By Order of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.
7th January, 1941.

J. HURSON, Secretary.

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SUPPLIES OF COMMODITIES TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES

PART I.

1 General Groceries.
2. Margarine.
3. Jams.
5 Cocoa.
6. Whiskey and Brandy
7. Bovril Virol, Oxo and Meat Cubes.
8. Patent Foods.
s. 9. Waterproof Rubber Goods.
10. Soaps and Soap Powders.
11. Polishes.
12. Disinfectant Fluids.
14. Tobacco and Snuff.
s. 16. Stationery and Typewriting Supplies.
s. 17 Made-up Sheets.
s. 18. Food and Drugs Act Requisites.
19 Brass Sealing Stamps.
s 20 Accounts Order Books and Forms.
s. 21 Standard Road Forms.
22. Weighing and Sewing Machines.
23. Typewriting Machines.
s 24. Chairs.
s. 25. Cork Carpet, Linoleum, Mats & Rugs.
s. 26. Cutlery.
s. 27. Aluminium Ware.
s. 28. Enamelled Ware.
29. Candles, Wicks and Tapers.
s 30. Galvanised Ware.
s. 31. Cast Metal Ware.
s 32. China Delph Earthenware and Glass Ware.
33. Sheet and Plate Glass.
s 35. Corks.
s. 36. Linen and Cotton Piece Goods.
s. 37. Cotton Piece Goods and Tailors' Sundries.
s. 38. Haberdashery.
s. 39. Shirts and Underwear.
s. 40. Made-up Clothing.
s 41. Pillow and Bolster Cases.
s. 42. Quilts
s. 43. Dungarees.
s. 44 Serges, Tweeds and Hopsack Material.
s. 45. Flannels, Blankets and Bedrugs
s. 46. Shawls.
s 47. Knitting Wools and Yarns.
s. 48. Ready-made Suits.
s 49. Caps and Hats.
s. 50. Braces.
s. 51. Hose, Stockings, Cardigans and Jerseys.
s. 52. Table Oilcloth.
s. 53 Buttons.
s. 54. Boots, Shoes and Slippers.
s. 55. Boot Uppers.
s. 56. Leather.
s. 57. Shoes Grindery.
s. 58 Bedsteads, Cots and Wire Webs
59. Bedding.
s. 60. Bedding Material.
s 61. Bedside Lockers, Commodes, Ward Screen Frames, Ward Kitchen Tables and Over Bed Hospital Tables.
s 62. Baskets and Cradles.
63. Lubricating, Fuel and Gas Oils and Greases.
s. 64 Bedroom Suites and Dining Tables.
s 65 Musical Instruments.
66. Motor Covers Tubes and Solid Tyres.
69 Motor Accessories.
73 Road Plant.
s. 74. Road and Quarry Tools.
s. 75. Edge and Miscellaneous Tools
s. 76 Lanterns and Lamps.
s. 77. Handles
s. 78. Wood and Steel Barrows.
79. Nails Tacks and Rivets.
80. Bolts and Nuts.
s 81. Sheet Lead, Lead Pipe and Plumbers' Requisites.
s. 82. Hose Pipe and Fittings.
83. Cotton Waste.
s. 84. Oilskin Clothing.
85 Explosives, etc.
86. Cement
s. 87. Manilla Ropes and Twine.
s. 88. Medical & Surgical Equipment.
s 89. Fire Extinguishers and Fire Buckets.
s. 90. Fireirons, Fenders, Curbs and Coal Scuttles.
91. Corrugated Iron and Accessories.
s. 92. Bass, Bahia, Machine and Steel Road Brushes and Brush Making Materials, Sewer Road and Rattan Canes.
s. 93. Household Brushes.
s. 94. Painters' Brushes.
s. 95. Ready-mixed Paints.
s. 96. Painters Colours (in Oil).
s. 97. Painters Colours (Dry).
98. Varnishes and Knotting.
99. Red and White Lead
100 Distempers, etc.
101. Oilman's Goods.
102. Sleeping Vans
106. Electric Lamps.
107. Medical Gases and Medical Gas Equipment.
112. General and Limited Trade Plates.
s.113. Wire Fencing.
115 Tractors and Trailers.
116. X-ray Requirements.
118. First Aid Equipment.
s.120. Road Warning Signs and Clips.
121. Cabinet Refrigerators.
s.123. Bed Chart Holders.
124. Priming Oil.
125. Laundry Clothing Requirements.

PART II.

105. Duplicating Machines and Supplies.
108. Belting
109. Iron and Brass Wood Screws.
110. Files and Rasps.
111. Tubes and Fittings.

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The attention of applicants is directed to the terms of Emergency Powers (No. 18) Order, 1939. Under the Order an official contractor may increase the price of a commodity by the amount of any additional costs or expense reasonably incurred by him in obtaining or producing the commodity in consequence of any event, arising after the date on which he applied for appointment, which is directly or indirectly attributable to the European War.

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SUPPLIES OF COMMODITIES IN THE COUNTY BOROUGH OF DUBLIN

PART I.

No.
127. Lime.
128. Breeze.
s.130. Abattoir Requirements.
131. Creosoted Deal Paving Blocks.
s.132. Ropes, Canvas etc.
133. Fireclay Bricks Sewer Pipes, W.C. Pans, Sinks, etc.
s.134. Rainwater Goods and Heavy Coated Soil Pipes.
135. Hinges

No.
136. Ranges, Range Parts and Grates.
137. Locks and Bolts.
s.138. Grease Drysalteries and Paints.
s.139. Miscellaneous Metal Materials and Stores.
s.140 Galvanised Goods.
s.141. Brass Copper, Iron, Steel and Zinc.
142. Ferrules.
143. Small Metal Castings.
145. Lubricating Oils.
s.146. Envelopes.

PART II.

129. Wallpaper.
144. Rawl Plugs and Tools, Securex Instanter and other Fittings.

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The Minister will require every person appointed, as a condition of his appointment, to enter into the following undertaking (included in the Application Form):—That in the manufacture of the commodity to be supplied he will comply with any provisions in relation to the process of manufacture set out in the specification of such commodity.

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SCHEDULE.

Bituminous Macadam.
Tar Bitumen do.
Bituminous Chippings.
Tar Bitumen do.
Fluxed Bitumen Chippings.
Broken Whinstone.
Broken Whinstone Chippings.
Limestone Chippings.
Whinstone Fines.

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7th January, 1941.

J. HURSON, Secretary.

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Coursing

The Procedure in Case of Postponements

By MASTER M'GRATH.

THIS morning we leave for Limerick, where, in Geary's Hotel, the draw for the Irish Cup at Clounanna on to-morrow (Wednesday), Thursday and Friday will be held. Up to a few days ago the main theme of discussion among those in one way or another interested in the meeting was regarding the likely winner, but many now are concerned with the prevailing conditions, and are asking themselves will the meeting to be held as arranged?

I hear from Limerick that they are not without hope there that it will take place according to schedule; indeed, the prospects yesterday were stated as not unfavourable. It is hoped that the confident expectations of those on the spot will be justified, for even outstanding events like an Irish Cup are never the same when they have to be postponed. Before the draw a meeting of the Standing Committee will be held in Cruise's Hotel for the transaction of the usual business.

THE 1916-17 MEETING

On many occasions weather conditions have caused long delays at Clounanna, principally frost, but only once was the meeting abandoned after it had been started. In 1916-'17 the frost was so intense that it was found impossible to finish, and the Cup was divided between four, long divisions between eights resulting in the Purse and Plate. That decision was come to on the Saturday, but, as events turned out, the Stewards could have carried on over the week-end and held over the remaining stages from day to day if necessary. But even experienced coursers like Mr. P. J. O'Sullivan and those acting with him were of the opinion that the rule *re* Postponed Meetings would not permit of such a procedure. Some years afterwards they were enlightened on that point.

In common with almost every coursing man of experience, they thought that the wording of the rule made it imperative to divide the stakes once Sunday intervened. Then something occurred in connection with one of our minor cup meetings that altered all that. Resulting from frost, it could not be finished, and was postponed until the following week. The committee read the rule as most other coursing men read it, but they took a chance, as it were. After arguing the point with Mr. James Clarke, of Ballybunion I wrote to the National Coursing Club for a ruling on the matter. My letter came before the meeting of the club, and it was ruled that coursing could, in the circumstances I mentioned, be postponed over the Sunday.

THE RULE

The rule has not been altered by the N.C.C., but it since was added to by the Irish Coursing Club. Here is the original rule:—

> "A meeting appointed to take place on a certain day may, if the majority of the committee and stewards (if appointed) consider the weather unfit for coursing, be postponed from day to day; but if the running does not commence within the current week all nominations shall be considered void, unless it shall be specially stated otherwise in the conditions of the meeting," etc.

The point there to be noticed is: "but if the running does not commence within the current week." There was one man, and only one, among my coursing acquaintances who interpreted correctly the meaning of the rule—Mr. Clarke—and I should have known that where points in coursing rules and procedure are concerned he is the last word on them.

Had the Co. Limerick Club's stewards at Clounanna interpreted the rule as he did on that frosty forenoon in the season 1916-17 there would likely have been no four-cornered division of the cup.

In the meantime, as remarked, the I.C.C. extended the rule to read " . . . unless at the request of the committee and the stewards, acting with the consent of the nominators concerned, an interval not exceeding seven days, allowed by the Chairman and the Secretary of the Irish Coursing Club," etc. It looks as if the addition of a word or two would make the meaning clear, which it is not.

HOLGARTH'S CUP DEFEAT

That is the position regarding postponed meetings, and I refer to it merely as one of the "incidents" that occurred in the past in connection with the cup and that long division. If that ruling of the N.C.C. had been given by the governing body in England before the season 1916-17 in all probability we would have had another day at Clounanna.

I alluded in a previous article to the achievement of Holgarth in the cup of 1918-1919. I hold that he, more than any other dog that I saw go up Clounanna, combined all the attributes of the greyhound. His victory in that season over Mr. Morris's Let 'Im Out, was one of his smartest accomplishments of the week; but the following season Let 'Im Out had a full revenge over the brindled and white, whom he led two lengths and beat pointless, the favourite going down in the fourth round. In the succeeding round the Clonmel dog went out before Osprey Hawk, who led him a clear length on the inside and had all the best of the beginning before the English-bred dog took part in exchanges and killed.

Let 'Im Out was, perhaps, the most unlucky dog of his time in deciding courses. I think he reached five deciders and did not win one of them. Still, I believe Holgarth was the most classic winner of the cup I have seen, including Osprey Hawk. I formed that opinion of him when I saw him run his first course in Ireland against Osprey Hawk (at Ballintotty) in which he was well beaten by the Kerry black, but the bet I made with Mr. Gorey after that defeat—that he had the winner of the cup the following season if he gave him a chance at Clounanna—was never paid, although it was doubled after another reverse before he went to the cup. Mr. Gorey thought I was joking about his dog's chances.

GOOD SALMON-SPAWNING SEASON

Considerable expectation is being built upon the salmon spawning season—now practically over—in the rivers of Eire, such as the Liffey, Boyne, Blackwater, Lee, Bandon, Corrib, the many feeders of the Great Lakes of the West, the Lakes of Killarney, and other piscatorial centres.

Taken as a whole, it has been one of the most successful for a decade. Since November a succession of spates, rarely culminating in violet flood, kept rivers in a favourable state for salmon wishing to perpetuate their species. On high water salmon ran well up stream—they like a down stream wind—the big volume enabling them to reach redding grounds otherwise inaccessible in low water. One menace, however, to running salmon too far up small rivers is that as the water falls they are left at the mercy of the ubiquitous poacher, ever on the look out for such a contingency in the hinterlands of salmon and trout streams.

RACEHORSE OWNER KILLED IN ACTION

Captain Michael G. Hartigan, reported to have been killed in action, was the son of Mrs. Norah Hartigan, who won the Cambridgeshire with The Pen in 1940. His racing colours were violet, black sleeves and cap.

LEOPARDSTOWN CLUB, FEBRUARY MEETING, 1941;

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 15th.

Free Carriage by Rail in Ireland or the equivalent by Road Transport in Ireland of all horses running at the meeting. For full particulars see *Racing Calendar*.

The following RACES CLOSE TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), January 8th, with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin, C.2.

Telegraphic Address:—"Turfclub, Dublin."

THE MILLTOWN MAIDEN STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Two miles and about 175 yards.

THE RANELAGH HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. Three miles and about 100 yards.

THE SCALP HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. One mile and a half.

THE STAND MAIDEN HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. One mile and a half.

THE SANDYFORD HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. For Irish-trained horses. Two miles and a half.

THE CORINTHIAN FLAT RACE of 100 sovs. A flat race for Irish-trained horses four years old and upwards. Maidens at starting. "Qualified Riders." About two miles. —(Advt.)

CURRAGH MEETINGS, 1941.

The following Races close To-morrow (Wednesday) with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume Street, Dublin, C. 2.

An Owner may enter the same horse for the four following races at a combined entrance of £2.

APRIL MEETING.

YOUNGSTERS STAKES of 200 sovs. For two years old. Five furlongs.

SECOND MAY MEETING.

NOVICES' STAKES of 200 sovs. For two years old. Five furlongs.

JUNE MEETING.

TYROS STAKES of 200 sovs. For two years old. Five furlongs.

AUTUMN MEETING.

PROBATIONERS' STAKES of 200 sovs. For two years old. Six furlongs.

For full articles see *Irish Racing Calendar.* —(Advt.)

Racing Gossip

Recruits to 'Chasing and Hurdle Racing

BY OUR RACING CORRESPONDENT.

HOW lucky the holiday meetings arranged for Christmas and the New Year were in carrying on so successfully is now brought home to us. It was not so with the Naas Meeting, which should have been held yesterday. A postponement was inevitable as early as Saturday morning, and now the executive, by permission of the I.N.H.S. Committee, have decided to hold the meeting next Saturday, which should be just as suitable a date. All the declared runners had been received at the Registry Office at the postponement time, and, as was the case when the first Red Cross Steeplechase had to be postponed, all these will stand as runners, and others may be declared up to 12 o'clock on next Friday, the day preceding the meeting.

Apart from the Red Cross Steeplechase, the most interesting races during the holiday season were the maiden hurdle events and the novices' steeplechases. The smart Taffytrap, who had won races on the flat over distances of five furlongs to a mile, came to Leopardstown on the first day of the meeting with a tall reputation as a recruit to hurdling, but failed to beat Felwin in the Stand Maiden Plate. As it was his first attempt at hurdling in public, excuse could be made for his failure, and with more experience of jumping the minor obstacles he very probably will turn out useful at the game. It often has happened before that a horse who has had outstanding form over middle distances on the flat developed into a high-class hurdler. There was no fluke about Felwin's manner of beating Taffytrap, and Mr. V. Smyth's four-year-old also may have to be reckoned with in coming races.

A Disappointment

Another of last year's three-year-olds who was expected to do big things was Mr. D. Frame's Cratloe Castle, whose defeat in the Three Years Old Hurdle at Leopardstown on the Saturday would not be heard of. His reputation did not live for long, for he came a bad "purler" at the first hurdle, and in a close finish Mr. G. F. Annesley's Ladylove beat Avion by half a length. Cratloe Castle was offered the opportunity to redeem himself at Baldoyle when, again made favourite, he kept clear of mishap, but, jumping none too well, was a spent force a long way from home, and it was two older horses that fought out the finish—namely, Red Sale and Pocket Money, the judge being unable to separate this pair as they passed the post.

THE NAAS MEETING

The Naas Meeting, postponed from yesterday, will be held next Saturday. Horses that have already been declared to run need not be again declared.

As regards the novice fencers, perhaps the most promising recruit we saw was Mr. J. F. Costello's The Croft, a six years old son of Cottage, who won the Novices' Steeplechase at Baldoyle very easily. Mr. Costello is Mayor of Galway and some day may have the pleasure of seeing The Croft carry his colours to success over the Ballybrit course, if not as winner of the Galway Plate at least in one of the other steeplechases run at the annual two days' meeting.

Another easy winner at the Baldoyle meeting was Mr. H. Harty's Lindsey, who made an example of the lot opposing him in the Corinthian Plate, a flat event. This son of Apron, doubtless, will be in time put to jumping also and may be a force to be reckoned with.

Another Red Cross 'Chase

The news will be received with satisfaction that there is to be another Red Cross Steeplechase at Leopardstown. The date selected is March 8, and, as usual, it is to be a handicap, with the weights ranging from 12-7 to 10st., and the distance is to be four miles, 250 yards, as was the case in the first of the series, run twelve months ago. On this occasion the event will be confined to five-year-olds and upwards, and the prize money will be £1,000.

M. McGilligan (Dublin University) cutting through to shoot for Hogsheads against Ulidians in the principal match of last year's Dublin Easter hockey festival. J. Clarke, the Ulidians' full-back, is attempting a tackle, and J. A. MacDonogh, the Irish international centre-forward, is up to support McGilligan.

Motor Notes

Slow Down on Snow or Ice

By HAROLD C. BROWN

THE best piece of advice that can be given to motorists, now that the roads almost throughout the country are covered with either ice or snow, or both, is to slow down. Normal driving speed should be decreased by about one-third. If you are accustomed to travelling at 30 m.p.h., your speed on wintry roads should not be much above 20 m.p.h.

In the United States, Edward Hedner, service director of the Chevrolet Company, has issued a list of winter driving tips, among them being the following:—

Keep a safe distance between your car and the one ahead, a self-evident rule with good drivers, but one that becomes doubly important when streets and highways are iced or covered with a deceptively light snowfall.

Another sound bit of advice to the city motorist in particular is a word of caution with reference to car tracks. When you get your wheels caught in car tracks or icy ruts, never attempt to get them out without decreasing your speed. Skids are often a result of "whipping" the car out of ruts.

Ease-up at Lights

WHEN approaching traffic lights, proceeds the list of winter driving tips, assume that the light will turn against you, not that you can "slide through." Ease up to the intersection carefully, avoiding any sudden application of brakes. In braking on a slippery street, "pump" your brakes slowly and easily and you will find that traction can be retained. Do not release your clutch until you are virtually stopped. Thus brakes and motor both can be made to help slow you down.

Most winter driving accidents, experience shows, occur in the centre lanes of traffic. Obviously you can boost your "safety potential" by avoiding centre lanes.

Proper use of skid chains may mean the difference between safety and danger. But they cannot take the place of caution. Chains do not enable you to travel safely at increased speed. They sometimes act as skates on slippery streets. Apply brakes slowly when using chains, and keep in mind that the purpose of the chains is to improve traction. They are not a substitute for safe driving.

If the rear end should skid, turn your front wheels in the direction in which the rear end is skidding. Don't "fight" the skid; ease out of it gradually.

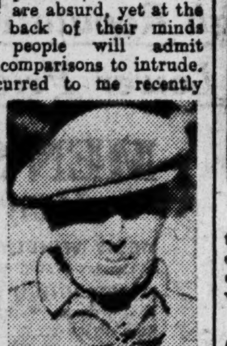
Shift your best tyres to your back wheels. A blow out in a back tyre is far more serious than one in front. And don't entrust your safety to smooth tyres. Use caution in the handling of your own car and courtesy toward your fellow-drivers.

Past and Present

STALWARTS of the past always seem to have been greater than those of the present. It is a psychological idiosyncrasy that the passage of time should lend stature to men and their reputations. Thus, Hannibal seems to have been rather better than Marlborough, and Marlborough rather better than Foch; though just at the moment we are prepared to believe that Wavell is as good as any of them. Comparisons, of course, are absurd, yet at the back of their minds people will admit almost equally absurd comparisons to intrude.

KAYE DON.

These thoughts occurred to me recently when I was compiling information for a history of Irish motor racing, which I may write when the spirit moves me. We are inclined to credit Edge and Jarrott and Jenatzy and de Knyff with greater importance than we attach to Segrave, Campbell, Howe and Birkin, and they, in turn, seem to have mattered more than Birabongse, Fairfield, Dobson and Mays. But did they?



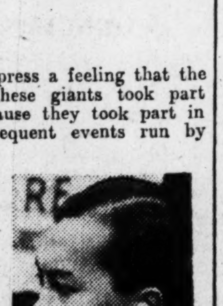
EARL HOWE.

There is a certain thrill to be obtained from reading the reports of the earlier T.T. and Irish Grand Prix races — about Kaye Don's 13 seconds victory over Cushman, about Caracciola's successes in the rain in the Park and on the Ards circuit, about Gillow's remarkable defiance of all the laws of Chance, about Campari's battles with Birkin and Eyston, about Borzacchini, and Frazer-Nash, Ivanowsky, Kidston, Hall and Hamilton,

R. CARACCIOLA.

Notable Drivers

IT is difficult to suppress a feeling that the races in which these giants took part were greater, because they took part in them, than the subsequent events run by the Ulster, Leinster and Irish Motor Racing Clubs. Nevertheless, the I.M.R.C. races in the Phœnix Park, at Limerick and Cork attracted men who were as notable in the sport as many of those who came to Belfast and Dublin half-a-dozen years earlier.



PRINCE BIRABONGSE.

"Bira," for example, was as great a racer of 1,500 c.c. cars as any in the world. Fairfield may have been building his reputation when he drove at Limerick, but a few years later, when he was killed in the Grand Prix of Endurance at Le Mans, he was accepted as one of the greatest drivers in Britain. In the 1,500 c.c. scratch races at Cork and in the Phœnix Park we had as useful an entry of "stars" as most of the Continental races secured.

"PAT" FAIRFIELD.

Worth remembering, too, is the fact that we had at Cork two of the greatest drivers produced by France in the last fifteen years in the persons of Dreyfus and Wimille. The Swiss, Hug, who drove at Cork, was a very successful Continental driver, and Villoresi was just immediately behind the front rank Italian.

International Talent

HOWEVER, great as were the men we saw after 1935, we never had such an assembly of international talent as the races of 1928-1933 attracted. We never had such an Italian team as those which included Campari, Nuvolari, Varzi and Borzacchini, and we never had the greatest of all the Germans, Caracciola. One of the reasons was the concentration of Germany and Italy upon Grand Prix racing, which developed remarkably after 1934.

BORZACCHINI.

The T.T. and Irish Grand Prix were standard car races, and when the formula events became the fastest, most publicised, and internationally most significant of all automobile events, the small band of tip-top "dicers" had no time for any other class of car sport.

Even so, had the Hospitals Trust £5,000 allocated to the Cork Grand Prix of 1938 been given instead to the Phœnix Park meeting of that year, we might have had all the great names. The reason they were not at Cork in April was that a new formula just had been introduced, and few of the cars being built to comply with it then were ready. They would have been ready in September.

SIR H. BIRKIN.

Go-as-you-Please

ANOTHER of the Dublin and District Motor Cycle Club's "go-as-you-please" trials will be held on Saturday, starting from Rockbrook at 2.30 p.m. The rules are the same as in previous events of this type. There will be expert, general, novice and novice with standard tyres classes, and entries close to-morrow at 37 Exchequer street, Dublin.

BOWLING

At the Irish Bowling Association meeting at Belfast on Saturday, Mr. E. Ford, secretary, Northern Ireland Bowling Association, speaking with reference to the Bowling League of Ireland's notice of motion that only league finalists should compete in international championships, said the I.B.A. did not favour the alteration of the rule.

Mr. H. J. Staff, Kenilworth, has been nominated as vice-chairman of the Irish Bowling Association.

CROTANSTOWN STABLE

Miss Paget's Horses Not in Training There

Our Curragh Correspondent states that no horses owned by Miss Paget have arrived at the Crotanstown stables, where Captain Darby Rogers's horses in training occupy all the available accommodation. The only recent additions to Captain Rogers's team are Mr. Barnett's two-year-olds, a filly by Trigo—Ceaderhurst, and a gelding by Trigo—Grange Girl, while Mr. H. S. Gill's two-year-olds are due to arrive within a few days.

When negotiations for a lease of the Crotanstown stables to Miss Paget may be completed the trainer's team cannot be removed to other quarters for a considerable period. Miss Paget's horses at the Curragh are, since last season, located at Brownstown House stables, and there were not, in this instance either, any additions up to yesterday.

Captain Rogers informed our correspondent yesterday that, with the exception of Mr. Barnett's two-year-olds mentioned, there has been absolutly no change in his list of horses in training.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS

TO-DAY.

Waterford Hounds—Mansfield's Forge, 11.30 a.m.; **Meath Hounds**—Cabin Hill, 11.30 a.m.; County Limerick Hounds—Croom, 12 noon; Westmeath Hounds—Hozertown Cross, 12 noon; Roscommon Harriers—Athleague, 12.30 p.m.; Scarteen Hunt—Derk 12 noon; Mr. O'Hara's Harriers—Collooney, 11.30 a.m.; Fingal Harriers—Seventh Milestone 1 p.m. Ormond Hounds—Loughton Gate, 12 noon; **Kildare Hounds**—Burtown Cross-roads, 11 a.m.; West Waterford Hunt—Half-Way 12 noon; County Galway Hunt ("The Blazers")—Turloughmore, 12 noon; Tara Harriers—Enfield (Newcastle Gate), 12 noon; Ballymacad Hounds—Oldcastle, 12 noon; County Longford Harriers—Lisnana, 1 p.m.; United Hunt Club—Ballinahina Forge, 11.30 a.m.; North Kilkenny Hunt—Balleen Cross, 12 noon. South Mayo Hounds—Forde's Cross, 12 noon.

TO-MORROW.

South Co. Dublin Harriers—Donnybrook Bridge, 2 p.m. **Ward Union Hounds**—Culmullen, 1.30 p.m. Bray Harriers—Devereux's, Willow Grove, 12 noon. Thurles and Kilshane Hounds—Borrisoleigh, 12 noon. Carlow Hounds—Tierenan, 11.30 a.m. Strabane Harriers—Sion, 1 p.m. Kilkenny Hounds—Booleyglass, 11.30 a.m. Island Hunt—Belcarrig Cross-roads, 11 a.m. Naas Harriers—Caragh, 1 p.m. Duhallow Hounds—Lisgriffin Cross, 11.30 a.m. Mount Loftus Harriers—Graig-na-Managh. East Galway Hounds—Clonfert (Earl Haig Cup), 12 noon; South Westmeath Hounds—Drumraney, 12 noon.

HUNT CARDS

SOUTH MAYO HOUNDS.—January:—To-day, Forde's Cross; Saturday, 11th, Straide; Wednesday, 15th, Roundforth; Monday, 20th, Belcarra; Friday, 24th, Mayo Abbey; Wednesday, 29th, Annefield. At 12 o'clock.

SOUTH WESTMEATH HOUNDS. — January—Wednesday, 8th, Drumraney; Monday, 13th, Ballykieran; Friday, 17th, Rosemount; Wednesday, 22nd, Mount Temple; Monday, 27th, Farnagh; Friday, 31st, Walkerstown. At 12 o'clock (S.T.).

NO BOXING THIS WEEK

STADIUM REPAIRS HELD UP

The Rev. J. McLoughlin, Hon. Treasurer of the Irish Amateur Boxing Association, told me yesterday that there will be no possibility of holding the St. Vincent's Club tournament at the Stadium next Friday night. In the present weather conditions it is impossible to start on the repairs to the roof, and it is quite possible that the damage done by the bomb last Friday is more extensive than was revealed in the preliminary examination.

GOLF CLUB NOTICES

MILLTOWN.—Ladies' Branch—Medal postponed.

DELGANY.—Ladies' Branch—Medal and meeting arranged for to-day postponed.

FOXROCK.—Ladies' Branch—Medal postponed.

Another Hockey Festival Desirable

By P. D. McWEENEY.

SINCE the hockey authorities in Ulster and Munster are apparently unable to carry out the extended interprovincial series of home and away games, it has become doubly important to continue the Easter festival plan, which was inaugurated so successfully at Londonbridge road last year. Ulidians, who were in Dublin on St. Stephen's Day, were anxious to know whether the scheme was being carried on this season, and although there is no definite information as yet it is an encouraging sign to see Ulster players prepared to travel down and take part in the games over two or three days.

There was no doubting the success of the first festival ever held in Dublin. There was an entry of twelve teams, and by skilful arrangement all the matches, except one, were played at headquarters, the one change to Claremont road being caused by bad weather on the second day, which made it imperative to preserve the Three Rock Rovers' pitch for an important match in the afternoon. Practically every first-class player in Dublin took part in the various matches, which were held on the Friday, Saturday and Monday of Easter Week, but the outside response was not so satisfactory.

That is the side on which the organisers would have to concentrate this time. Ulidians came down on the Saturday and played that afternoon and on Monday; it is to be hoped that in the event of the festival being held again they will be able to travel a stronger side, which would include the internationals Jack Carroll and Jack Bowden. The only other visiting team was from Maryborough, and included the majority of the Connaught XI. A Munster side was promised, but did not materialise, and a team from the South-East also failed to put in an appearance. A special effort should be made by both these centres to participate next Easter.

The organisation was remarkably good for a first attempt. Apart from heavy rain on the Saturday morning, the weather was favourable, and the ground and catering arrangements most satisfactory. Special work was put in on the two grounds, and they were extremely true. This factor was so much appreciated by the players, that in many cases the standard of hockey was higher than is ever seen in the ordinary Senior League and Cup matches in any part of the country. Only scratch teams were allowed to participate from Dublin, yet in some instances they combined more cleverly than if they had played together for seasons, and, in my opinion, the Festival did a great deal of good for the game here.

I do not think we need have any fears about the standard of play in Dublin. It is, I think, higher than last year, and the tendency is towards improvement in attack, which has always been more backward than defence. If we could encourage the other centres where the game is played we would be doing valuable work. The decision as to the staging of the Festival should be made soon, and the next move should be to interest men capable of organising teams from the south, south-east, midland and north. Once they came they would almost certainly repeat the visit.

RUGBY STAR A PRISONER OF WAR

Among the list of names of those wounded and prisoner of war appears that of Captain Arthur Horsfall Griffith Purchas, the Coventry and Warwickshire Rugby forward. Born at Lincoln and educated at Rossall School, Purchas first attracted attention in Rugby circles when appearing for Lincoln, and he played for the combined Notts, Lincolnshire and Derbyshire team in three matches. In 1934 the bank where he was employed transferred him to Coventry, and he quickly became an important member of the Coventry club.

Standing 6ft. 3ins. and weighing 14st. 7lb., he always did great work in the line-out, and was so versatile that he could occupy any position in the pack, as he proved when he toured with the British team in South Africa in 1938. In recent years he was a regular member of the Warwickshire team, and helped them to win the final of the County Championship against Somerset at Weston-super-Mare in 1939.

FIXTURE CANCELLED

The Lansdowne Schoolboys v. Wanderers Schoolboys match, listed for to-day, has been cancelled.

CONNAUGHT TEAM FOR RAILWAY CUP

At a meeting of the Connaught Council, G.A.A., at Castlerea the following team was selected to play Munster in the Railway Cup competition on February 9th at Killarney:—

J. McGowan (Galway) (goal); M. Raftery (Galway), M. Connaire (Galway), D. O'Sullivan (Galway), T. Regan (Mayo), R. Beggs (Galway), P. Ormsby (Mayo); H. Henry (Mayo), E. Boland (Roscommon); K. Winston (Roscommon), P. Clifford (Sligo), P. Laffey (Mayo), J. Munnelly (Mayo), H. Gibbins (Roscommon), E. Mulholland (Galway).

Subs.—P. Judge, T. McGowan (Mayo), P. Kelly, J. Murray, P. J. O'Callaghan (Roscommon), J. Duggan, F. Cuniffe (Galway).

ROSCOMMON COURSING

The Roscommon United Coursing Meeting, which was to have been held yesterday, did not take place, and stands postponed from day to day until conditions are favourable.

RYECROP FOR HURDLING

Our Curragh Correspondent states that Mr. W. Barnett's Ryecrop has left Capt. D. Rogers' stables for Mr. R. H. Walker's place at Rathvale, Athboy, where she will be trained over hurdles.

CLONDALKIN UNIT, L.S.F.

PRESENTATION TO SERGEANT McLOUGHLIN

Two hundred people were present when, at a recent dance promoted by the Clondalkin unit of the Local Security Force, Sergeant McLoughlin was presented with a cheque as a token of appreciation on his retirement from the Civic Guards.

Mr. McGann, Group Leader, Local Security Force, in making the presentation, said that it was in recognition of help and encouragement given in the early days of the Local Security Force by Sergeant McLoughlin.

Mr. J. Whitty, Group Leader, "B" Section, associated himself with Mr. McGann's tribute, and expressed the hope that Sergeant McLoughlin might for many years enjoy his well-earned rest.

Sergeant McLoughlin returned thanks, and wished the Local Security Force every success in the future.

The band played "For he's a jolly good fellow," and all present in the Carnegie Library, Clondalkin, joined heartily in singing it.

OLYMPIA THEATRE

"Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves" continue their roysterous and boisterous way at the Olympia Theatre, Dublin. This good show for young and old, sponsored by Frank O'Donovan, proved last night that its popularity gives no signs of waning. It should not, because it is a well-dressed "panto.," with colourful scenery, excellently lighted; while the company of players who put across the fun and fury of the story are a capital cast. Laughter provoking is Jimmy Harvey's impersonation of the comical villian, while Norma Barry (Ali Baba), Kitty McMahon (Morgiana), Dick Forbes (the Caliph), Phyllis Murray (Woodbine) and all the others contribute a full share to the fun and interest, and Frank O'Donovan, as Barnacle Bill the Sailor, is there to give full force to all their wise-cracks and jokes. Many popular and original songs make this pantomime attractive to the audience.

Carrickfergus Accident.—Thomas Williams (66), Loughview Park, Eden, Carrickfergus, has died in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast. On Saturday he was knocked down by a car when crossing the road at Eden, receiving head injuries and a fractured leg.

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BADGER A FINE WILD ANIMAL

PRAISED BY R.D.S. LECTURER

A defence of the badger, which he described as one of the finest of our wild animals, was made by Mr. T. O. Ruttledge, A.R.P.S., lecturing on "Watching and Photographing the Badger," at the R.D.S. yesterday afternoon. The badger, said Mr. Ruttledge, had a bad reputation, and was blamed by landowners and farmers for crimes of which he was not guilty at all. He had, too, been described as surly and ill-tempered. Actually he was playful and good-tempered. The reason people gave him such a bad character was that they knew so little about him. Some people wanted to exterminate the badger, but there were few enough wild animals in our country, and of these the badger was one of the finest. The woods and fields would be the poorer without him. At one time there was a danger that he might become extinct, but, happily, that danger had passed. The badger was now not only "holding his own," but was even increasing.

Mr. Ruttledge showed delightful flashlight photographs of badgers, old and young, playful and timid, which he had taken after much patient waiting in our woods. He described the animal as having but two enemies—man and his dog. He was one of the most powerful fighters of the animal kingdom, but he was full of commonsense and avoided trouble whenever posible.

In another lecture on "Some Experiments with Corncrakes," Lieutenant A. G. Mason showed the audience a pair of bones with which a perfect imitation of the corncrake cry could be reproduced. These bones were rubbed together, and when the corncrakes heard the call they approached, for the cry was at once a challenge and a claim to a particular territory. Corncrakes allowed no intruders in their territory, and gave immediate battle.

The artificial call produced in the bones, said Lieutenant Mason, usually brought a corncrake to the field in which it was sounded. They found a stuffed corncrake, which was used as a decoy. The antics of the real corncrake with the decoy were amusingly photographed, and gave much delight to the audience. The corncrake, said Lieutenant Mason, usually made an elaborate courtship display before the decoy.

DUBLIN'S CHIEF AIR RAID WARDEN

Mr. P. J. Hernon, the Dublin City Manager, with the approval of the Department of Defence, has appointed Mr. R. S. Laurie, A.R.I.B.A., Chief A.R.P. Warden for the City of Dublin. He will, of course, be under the direct control of the City Manager.

Mr. Laurie, is chief architectural assistant to the City Architect, Mr. H. T. O'Rourke, and has made a specialised study of A.R.P. One of the first in Dublin to engage in this work, he obtained the Special A.R.P. Certificate of the Department of Defence. In 1939 he spent several weeks visiting the chief cities of Great Britain, and made a study of A.R.P. organisations in all its aspects.

He has been responsible for the construction of all Dublin's overground shelters, and for the adaptation of basements for shelter use. In addition, he designed and supervised the construction of the control centre, the first aid posts and message centres for the nine areas into which the city has been divided for A.R.P. purposes. He also designed the intricate A.R.P. telephone communication system now in operation.

Mr. Laurie has already been in contact with the various area wardens, and in his new capacity as Chief Warden was one of the first to be on the scene of the recent bombing incidents.

TRANSPORT WORKERS' CONFERENCE

The Amalgamated Transport and General Workers' Union opened their two-day Area Committee conference at their Irish Head Office, 112 Marlborough street, Dublin, yesterday. Representatives from all parts of Ireland were in attendance.

The difficulties confronting the trade union movement in the present emergency situation will, it is understood, be among the questions considered at the conference, from which no statement regarding the proceedings will be issued until this afternoon, stated Mr. Sam Kyle, Irish Secretary, yesterday.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

A SALE OF ARMY SURPLUS HORSES

will be held at CLARKE'S HORSE REPOSITORY, 13 MONTPELIER HILL, DUBLIN, on THURSDAY NEXT, January 9th, at 2.30 p.m. sharp.

TWENTY-TWO LOTS, including twelve Horses well known in International Jumping Competitions; also several Light Draught Horses and Chargers. Horses on view at McKee Barracks To-morrow (Wednesday), January 8th, between 10 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. and between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m.

Catalogues on application to Fred. Clarke, Auctioneer.

Also THIRTY LOTS, the property of Mr. J. White, comprising Van, Farm and Riding Horses, five to eight years old.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY

LAW NOTICES—Tuesday, 7th January, 1941.

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

At Examiners' Chambers at 93 Merrion square

Before Mr Franks, at 11 o'clock—R. M. Burr (S. 7907), discharge ruling and settle schedule. At 12 o'clock—McCarron (S. 9096), discharge rulings and settle schedule.

Before Mr. Grove-White, at 11 o'clock—Resumed holding of Messrs. Sweeney and Co. (S. 439/29), vouch. At 3 o'clock—Stephenson (S. 9178 and S. 16054), discharge rulings and settle schedule.

Before Mr. Jackson, at 11 o'clock—Ml. Byrne (S. 7247), discharge rulings and settle schedule.

At 24 Upper Merrion street.

Before Mr. P. Byrne, at 11 o'clock—Nolan (S. 15279), discharge rulings. At 12 o'clock—O'Hanlon, directions. At 3 o'clock—Crean (S. 6450), vouch.

MORE SHELTERS FOR DUN LAOGHAIRE

Additional shelters are to be provided for the Borough of Dun Laoghaire under the Air Raid Precautions Scheme, it is mentioned in a supplementary estimate by the Borough Manager to the General Purposes Committee. He said that in addition to the estimated expenditure of £2,280 already provided for in the scheme, £1,950 would probably be spent—(a) Additional public shelters at Glasthule, Lower George's street, Booterstown, Blackrock and Dalkey, £1,250. (b) Supplementary work at Control Centre, Dunedin, £100. (c) Additional warning siren at Blackrock, £50. (d) Ancillary Services (including storage of equipment, assembly of respirators, decontamination, etc.), £550.

The Committee have approved.

MUSICAL RECITAL AT ROTARY LUNCH

An interesting musical recital was the feature of yesterday's Rotary Club luncheon at the Gresham Hotel, Dublin. It was given by Mrs. Lamb's Glee Singers, who sang a number of Christmas carols and solos.

Mr. A. G. Bruty, proposing a vote of thanks, complimented the singers and Mrs. Lamb on their programme, which, he said, had been very artistically chosen. Solos were sung by Miss E. Lamb, Mr. B. Lamb and Mrs. Lamb, and the carols sung were "Silent Night," "Angels Through the Realms of Glory" "See Amid the Winter Snows," "The Coventry Carol" and "All Praise to Thee," the last having been composed by Mr. Modell, who conducted the choir. Miss E. Braid played a piano solo and accompanied the singing.

The Chairman, Mr. A. Pearson, thanked the singers, and said that Mrs. Lamb and her choir were doing splendid work in aid of the Red Cross.

THEATRE ROYAL

For a third week "Mother Hubbard Goes to Town"—the first Theatre Royal pantomime spectacle—will draw big audiences to this theatre. Up to last week-end it had attracted 87,000 people, and a much larger figure is likely to be recorded before public interest is satisfied. Its ten scenes are replete with melody, spectacle and comedy, and one gets a taste of all the nursery stories staged as pantomimes with new fun and an up-to-date aspect of old favourites. The great essential virtue of it all is that this mixture of many good things is wholly new, and from start to finish enjoyable. The fact that popular artistes support the various rôles has been one of the attractions, and that Jimmy Campbell and the Theatre Royal orchestra give of their best on the musical side is beyond question. This full-bodied, funny and unique show was last night again given a right royal reception.

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Potatoes stored in dry condition in properly made pits can withstand occasional frosts without risk of damage, but prolonged frost may cause serious loss.

Pits which have not already been thatched can be effectively protected by covering them temporarily with straw, rushes or litter of any kind. Potatoes in stores can be similarly protected by covering them with straw, coarse sacking or any suitable protective covering which may be available.

RAILWAYMEN AND WAR PROBLEMS

A special conference to consider various internal problems arising since the outbreak of war has been called by the National Union of Railwaymen at Morecambe on the 9th and 10th January.

The Irish delegates will include Messrs. P. Millea, Waterford; C. Gaskin, Dublin, and W. McCullough, Belfast.

Miss Lola Lane, the film star, was married at Hollywood yesterday to Mr. Henry Clay Dunham, a yacht broker. He is her third husband.—(Reuter.)

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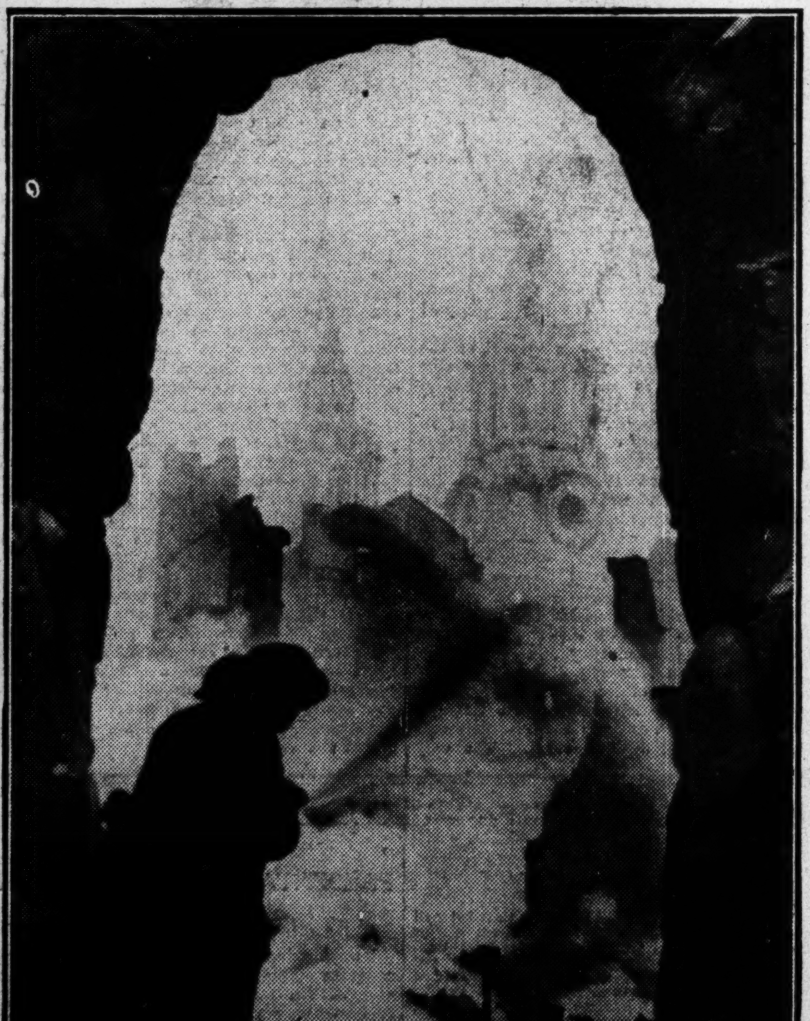
R.D.S. LECTURERS

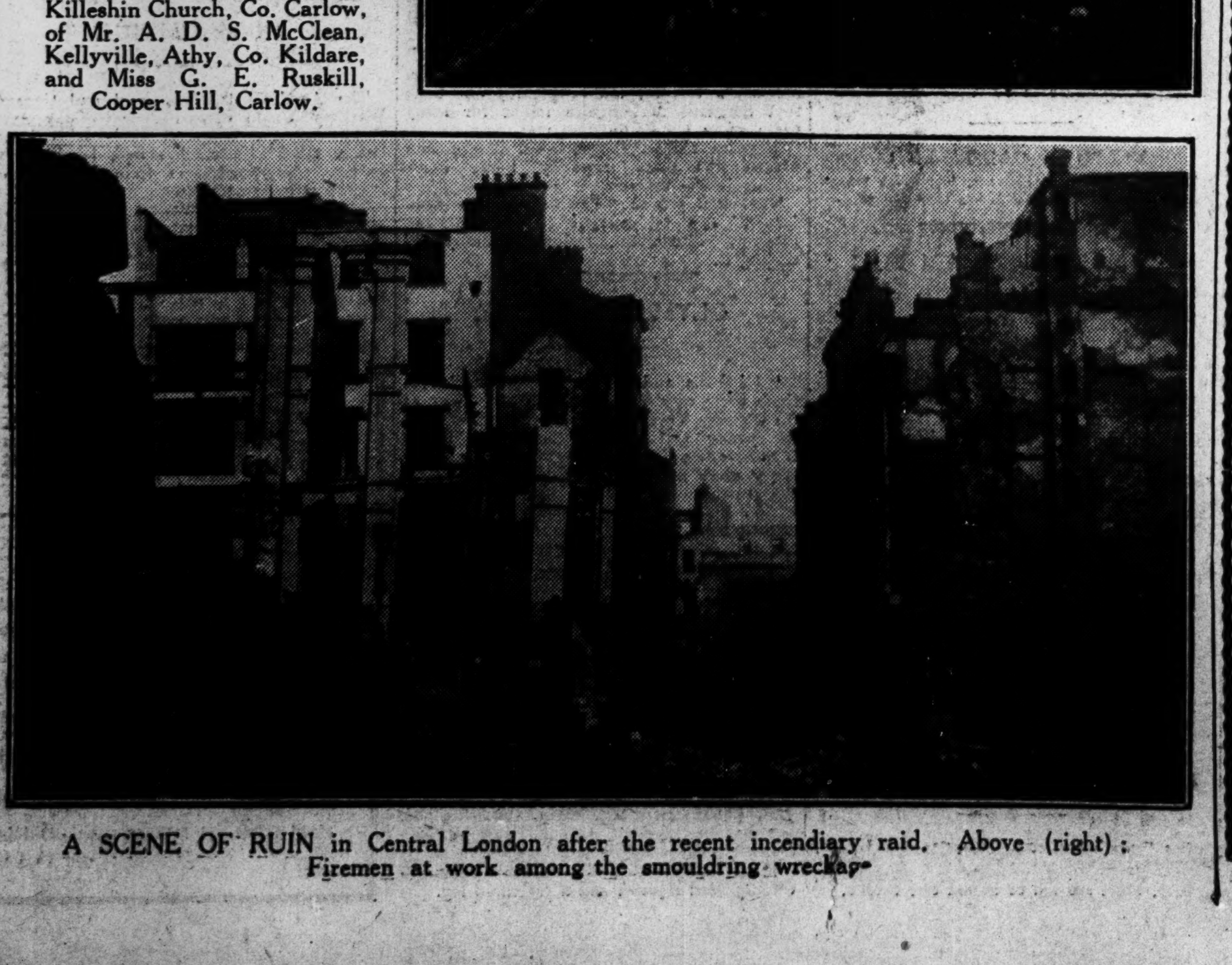
MR. DIARMUID FAWSITT, K.C., who was sworn in as a Temporary Judge of the Circuit Court for Limerick, Clare and Kerry by the Chief Justice in the Supreme Court, Four Courts, yesterday.

LECTURERS at the Royal Dublin Society yesterday—Mr. T. O. Rutledge, who spoke on "Watching and Photographing the Badger," and Lieut. A. G. Mason, who lectured on "Some Experiments with Corncrakes."

JUDGE FAWSITT receiving the congratulations of his family after being sworn in yesterday. From left: Mr. Sean McD. Fawsitt, Mrs. Fawsitt and Mr. W. Boyle Fawsitt.

AFTER THE WEDDING, at Killeshin Church, Co. Carlow, of Mr. A. D. S. McClean, Kellyville, Athy, Co. Kildare, and Miss G. E. Ruskill, Cooper Hill, Carlow.





A SCENE OF RUIN in Central London after the recent incendiary raid. Above (right): Firemen at work among the smouldring wreckage

HILARY LAW TERM

TWENTY APPEALS IN LIST

NEW TRIAL MOTIONS

TWENTY appeals already have been put in the list for hearing by the Supreme Court during the Hilary Law Sittings, which will open next Monday. These include important points of law arising on the Land Acts, the Finance Acts, and the Workmen's Compensation Act; and five new trial motions.

One of the new trial motions is concerned with a slander action, and one with a fatal accident; the others arise out of running-down actions.

In the slander action, Edward Teehan, company director, Churchill terrace, Sandymount avenue, Dublin, is appealing from the verdict of a High Court jury and judgment for £250 damages, in favour of Sean O'Carroll, commercial traveller, Casimir road, Rathmines, Dublin, who had alleged that Mr. Teehan had spoken words about him in the bar of a Dublin hotel in July, 1937, which meant that Mr. O'Carroll had been guilty of dishonest conduct in carrying on the business of greyhound racing manager.

There are several grounds of appeal, amongst them being the grounds that the words pleaded in the statement of claim as constituting the alleged slander differed in essential respects from the words constituting the alleged slander, as given in evidence on behalf of Mr. O'Carroll, and that the trial judge was wrong in overruling the objection of Mr. Teehan's counsel to the admission of such evidence; and that the judge was wrong in not directing the attention of the jury to the admitted fact that Mr. O'Carroll had not instituted proceedings in respect of the alleged slander for twelve months after he had been informed of it.

There is an appeal in an action which had been brought by Mrs. Mary Kate Veale, Ballynageeragh, Dunhill, Annestown, Tramore, against Jeremiah Cooney, Kill, County Waterford, and the Texas Company (of Ireland), Ltd., Lower O'Connell street, Dublin, claiming damages for the death of her husband, Michael Veale, farmer, following injuries suffered in a collision between a motor car owned by Mr. Cooney (in which Mr. Veale was a passenger), and a motor lorry owned by the Texas Company near Ballindine, Kilsheelan, County Tipperary, on October 31, 1939.

The jury found that Mr. Cooney was negligent, and that the driver of the Texas Company's lorry was not negligent, and assessed damages against Mr. Cooney at £1,750, for which judgment was given for Mrs. Veale, and against this verdict and judgment Mr. Cooney is appealing.

COUNCIL'S APPEAL

Tipperary County Council (North Riding) is appealing from the verdict of a jury and judgment for £750 in favour of Mrs. Mary Anne O'Meara, Toomevara, Nenagh, in her action for damages for injuries suffered when she was knocked down by a horse and cart owned by Thomas Egan, Toomevara, who was employed as a carter by the County Council, at Toomevara, on September 11, 1939.

John O'Neill, Bride street, Dublin, has taken an appeal from the verdict of a jury and judgment in favour of the Dublin United Tramways Co., Ltd., in his action for damages for injuries received when he was struck by a 'bus while he was working on road construction for Dublin Corporation at South Great George's street on May 27 last.

A new trial is sought in another road accident, in which a cyclist is involved.

An appeal has been brought by Reginald H. Penley, solicitor, Dursley, and William H. Browne, Went House, Uley, Gloucestershire, from a judgment of the High Court dismissing their petition for declarations that securities and investments situated outside Eire, but representing the proceeds of the sale of lands in Eire, were not liable to estate duty in Eire; and that the Revenue Commissioners were wrong in deciding that they would have been liable to succession duty in the Irish Free State or Eire (had those States then existed) under the law in force before the passing of the Finance Act, 1894.

There are eleven applications for leave to appeal, to come before the Court of Criminal Appeal.

IN HIGH COURT

In the High Court there are many actions, the Chancery side having some that are likely to occupy more than a day. One of the most interesting is the action of Captain Joseph Curran, whose address was given as the Magazine Fort, Phoenix Park, Dublin, against the Attorney-General, seeking a declaration that the Government are not entitled, by virtue of a document served on him on February 29 last, to advise the President to dismiss him from his position as an officer of the Defence Forces, under Section 7 of the Defence Forces Act, 1937; and other declarations.

During the hearing of a motion in the High Court last June it was stated by counsel for the Attorney-General that the action to some extent was a sequel to the raid on the Magazine Fort the previous Christmas.

There is the action of the Federation of Irish Rail and Road Workers, Dublin, against the Great Southern Railways Co. The High Court, last November, gave the Federation liberty to add the National Union of Railwaymen, the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen, the Railway Clerks' Association, and the Minister for Industry and Commerce as defendants in the action, which seeks declarations in regard to agreements for the regulation of conditions of service of employés of the company.

In another action a Dublin company seeks damages against a trade union official for alleged publication of statements which, they say, are likely to damage them in their business; and a declaration against a trade union that they are members of it.

An action has been brought about the alleged diversion of water in County Cavan, and another about alleged damage to property by matter from a factory. There are two actions relating to the shares of companies, partnership actions, summonses asking for specific performance of contracts, declarations of various kinds, and injunctions.

There are two cases on notice; three cases stated; one Revenue petition; and one Revenue case stated.

One of the cases on notice is to make absolute a conditional order of *habeas corpus* for the production by a mother of her three-year-old child, whose custody the father, her husband, seeks.

The other is to make absolute a conditional order of *mandamus* requiring one of the Dublin Justices to state a case setting forth the grounds of his determination of two civil processes for two sums claimed as arrears of income tax.

RAILWAY VALUATIONS

Two of the cases stated arise out of valuation appeals by the Great Southern Railways Co. and by the Great Northern Railway Co., and raise issues under the Railways Valuation Rating Act, 1931. These were in last term's list, but were not reached. The High Court will be asked to decide whether or not the Circuit Judge was right in accepting the companies' method of estimating the capital value of the specialised chattels. The third asks whether or not a District Justice was right in dismissing a charge of assaulting and obstructing a Customs Excise Officer, he not being satisfied that the facts found by him amounted in law to a contravention of the Customs and Excise Revenue Act, 1881. This, also, was held over from last term.

There are fifty-one Circuit appeals for hearing.

There are twenty-seven jury trials, all being actions for damages for personal injuries, or for damages under the Fatal Injuries Act.

The jury trials will begin on the 27th inst.

The non-jury actions number five, made up of one breach of promise action, one matrimonial suit, two breach of contract actions, and one ejectment action.

The figures given relate to the lists as they stood yesterday. Other cases will come in during the week, and as the term advances.

DECLARATIONS OF JUDGES

Before the Chief Justice, in the Supreme Court, Dublin, yesterday, Mr. Diarmuid Fawsitt, K.C., made the declaration required by the Constitution on his appointment, from 6th inst. till March 31 next, as Circuit Court Judge for the Counties of Clare, Limerick and Kerry.

Mr. Fawsitt, who goes to fill the place of Judge McElligott during the latter's illness, is a native of the City of Cork. He is the second son of the late Mr. Boyle T. H. Fawsitt and Mrs. Fawsitt, and was educated at the Christian Brothers' School, Cork. He was called to the Bar in 1928. Before then he was Consul-General for Ireland in the United States of America. He was called to the Inner Bar about two years ago.

One of his sons, Mr. Sean MacDiarmuid Fawsitt, was called to the Bar about a year ago, and practises on the Cork Circuit. Another son, Mr. W. Boyle Fawsitt, is a solicitor, practising in Dublin. A daughter, Miss Cathleen Fawsitt, is a member of the Abbey Theatre Company.

Judge D. J. O'Brien made the usual declaration on his appointment as Chairman of the Railway Tribunal for another year.

Mr. Hugh J. McCann, barrister-at-law, made the declaration required on his appointment as a Justice of the District Court from 6th inst. till March 31 next.

General Dentz, the new French High Commissioner for Syria, has imposed a ban on all political meetings and demonstrations in Syria and Lebanon, according to the German wireless.—(Reuter.)

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DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT

POSTMAN REMANDED

(BEFORE MR. McCARTHY.)

John Conlon (34), a temporary postman, of North Circular road, was remanded for a week, charged with the larceny of two postal parcels containing a goose and confectionery while in the course of transmission by post.

In a statement alleged to have been made by him, Conlon admitted having re-addressed the parcels to his own residence.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE REUNION

The annual departmental reunion will be held to-night in the Mansion House, Dublin, under the auspices of the Defence Branch of Cumann na Stait Chleireach (Civil Service Clerical Association). Dancing will continue from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m.

Mr. William Tinney, Strabane, a bread-server, was struck by a passing motor vehicle on Friday evening, receiving injuries to a leg necessitating medical treatment.

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